

City of Plainfield Master Plan

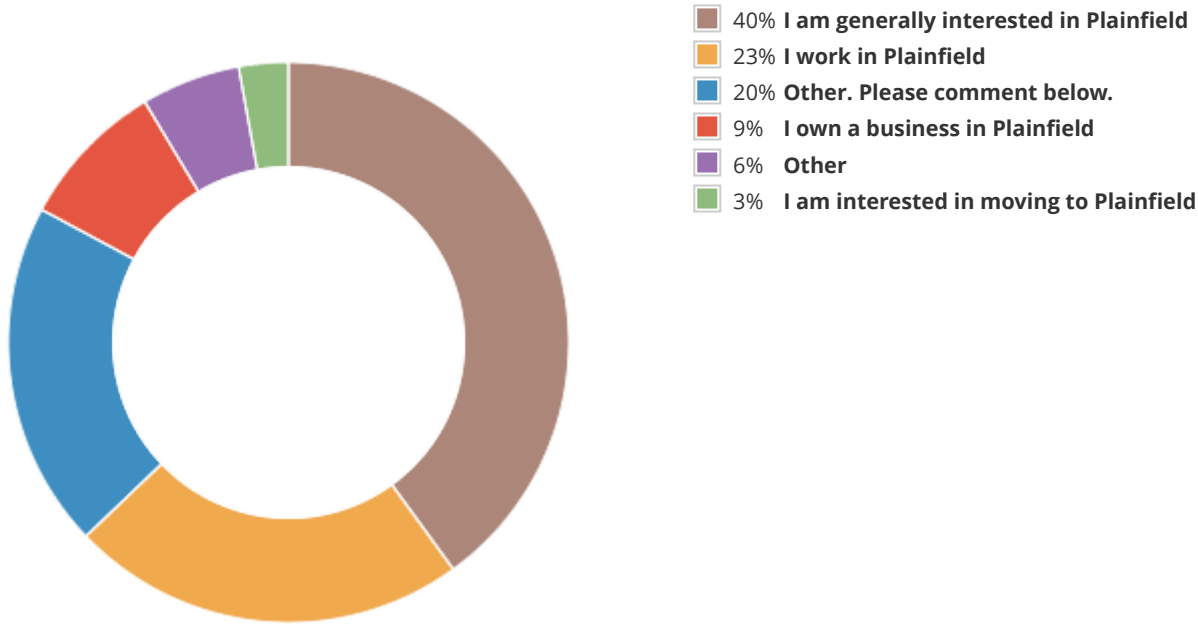
Project Engagement

VIEWS	PARTICIPANTS	RESPONSES	COMMENTS	SUBSCRIBERS
1,393	115	5,358	399	55

1. Where do you live?



2. If you do not live in the City of Plainfield, what best describes your interest in the Plainfield Master Plan?



35 respondents



More security for a safe environment in Plainfield

15 days ago



I'm interested because I was wrongfully evicted from my apartment complex

2 months ago



I live and work in Plainfield

2 months ago



Plainfield was such an interesting place to live in the past but I think now we must have more control when it comes to social security. I've noticed many people weren't living here but rather visiting here often with family to see people in senior homes.

2 months ago



I lived in Plainfield from 1968 through 1980 and from 2014 through 2015 at 740 Dixie Lane and from 2017 through the present at 836 Carlton Avenue. I have very fond memories of growing up in Plainfield and I love living here now. In the 1970's there were a lot of scientists and creative people living in Plainfield. The collection of books in the stacks at the public library was well curated. I miss that. I do like the Plainfield room. The library was more attractive and tranquil in the 1970's. I worked there as a page when I was 17. I'll never forget the fun activities at the YWCA. Roller skating, films, swimming, a program for teenagers, a theater for plays (I was a volunteer usher and saw the plays at no charge). Our talent shows at Plainfield High School were incredible - the singing and musical abilities of so many students was unbelievable! We had the best track team in the state. And our marching band was invited to participate in the New Orleans Mardi Gras parade. We had wonderful dances in the cafeteria on many Friday nights.

5 months ago



I am plainfield resident interested in investing in the plainfield community. I feel there is a need for more spaces that promote sports. While there are several parks for this, Plainfield should have an indoor mixed use sports facility. There are many teams in plainfield but a lot of families travel to neighboring towns during cold seasons for a full year of activity.

5 months ago



Resident of Plainfield

5 months ago



I live and work in Plainfield.

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I live, own a business and work in Plainfield

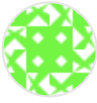
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Just have not been involved in the activities in Plainfield for years and need to reacquaint myself with the activities if I intend to stay. but that's a big question mark at this time in my life.

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Poll Questions 'Other' Responses:



(Resident)

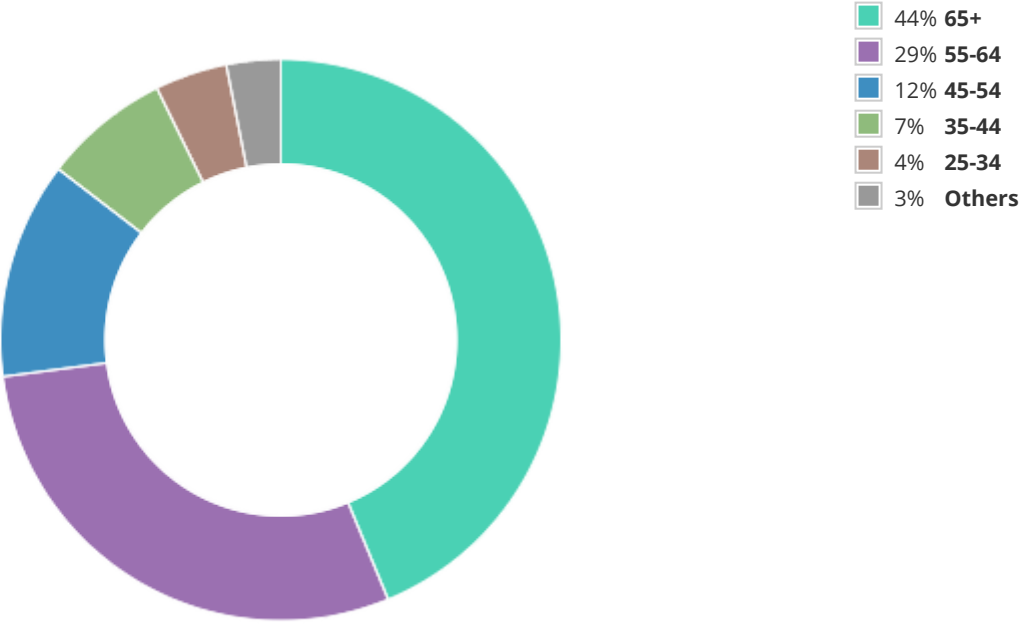
23 days ago



I recently bought a house in Plainfield

3 months ago

3. What is your age?



96 respondents

4. If you have moved to Plainfield in the last 20 years, what are the main reasons for it?
(Select all that apply)

38%	Found a home I liked	20 ✓
31%	Close to family/friends	16 ✓
27%	Availability of train	14 ✓
25%	Character of community	13 ✓
21%	Grew up in town or nearby	11 ✓
17%	Quality of life	9 ✓
15%	Availability of bus	8 ✓
13%	Close to where I work	7 ✓
10%	Low taxes	5 ✓
10%	Other. Please comment below.	5 ✓
6%	Access to highways	3 ✓
2%	Quality of school system	1 ✓



Been here over 20yrs rented first and a change of environment the eastend was the area I liked. So I needed something to invest in so I brought a home here because it was safe and clean streets.

11 days ago



Low cost homes

16 days ago



I love living in the underrated Sleepy Hollow Section

20 days ago



I bought at the height of the real estate market. Homes were more affordable here than elsewhere. No kids so school system dud not matter.

23 days ago



The diversity of the people living in the area who wanted good living conditions like me is my main reason.

2 months ago



I started a family

2 months ago



Many people come to Plainfield to live or visit with their parents at night but during the day they are not in the city using its facilities. I think that's something important to focus on so we can ensure the safety of the people actually living in this town.

2 months ago



I've been in Plainfield for one years of jersey city so far I like it because it's a better place for my kid to grow up..I dislike the lack of decent restaurants and bars for my wife and I date night or any night life..The parks could be a lot better...

3 months ago



Plainfield is the only place I know of in the New York Metropolitan area that has beautiful, affordable apartments.

5 months ago



Affordability at the time we move here originally from Piscataway

5 months ago



Nice old houses, public transit to NYC, affordability, near natural areas such as Great Swamp and Sandy Hook.

5 months ago



have been here for over 58 years

6 months ago



We wanted more space, and at the time the price of the home and overall cost were in line with our needs. We don't have children and weren't concerned about the school district so it was a good option for us. We selected a home in the Netherwood Heights area, because of it's proximity to the Netherwood Train station and because we knew that it was one of the best places to live in town, from a house quality and safety perspective.

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low property values ie: affordable

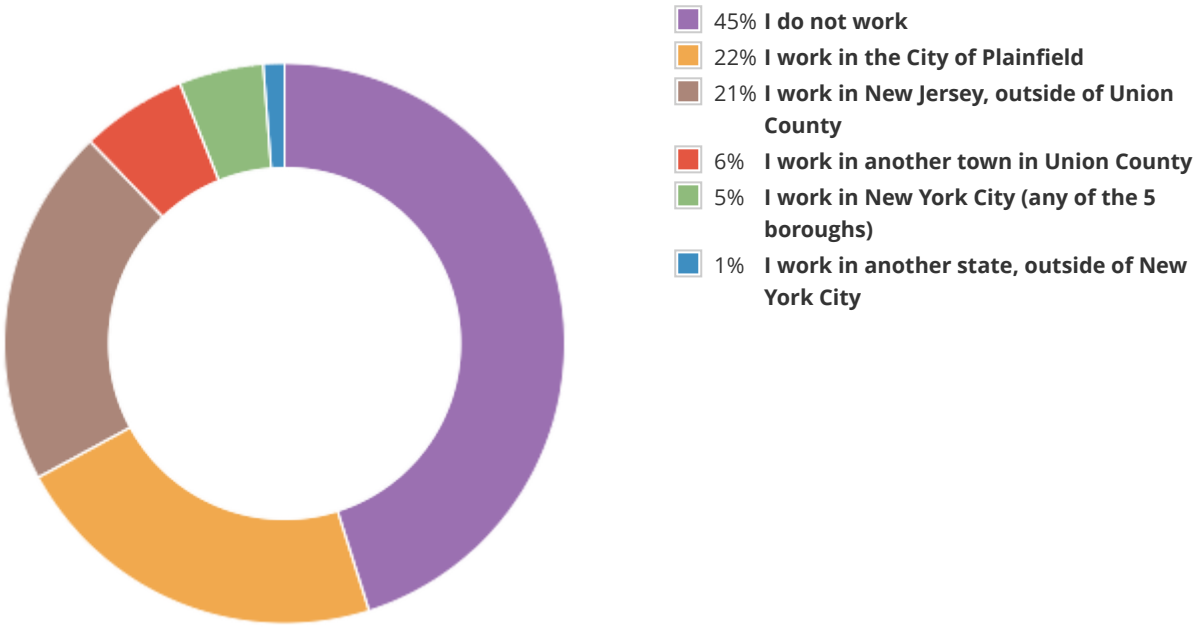
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Like my neighborhood, neighbors and proximity to recreational activities.

6 months ago

5. Where do you work?



82 respondents

6. What do you most like about living in, working in, or visiting the City of Plainfield?



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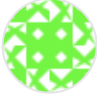
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2 months ago



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2 months ago



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2 months ago



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programs at senior center

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Nothing.

2 months ago



I like the diversity.

2 months ago



Its quiet. Availability to bus and train but bus transfer availability isn't the best.

2 months ago



senior center programs

2 months ago



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2 months ago



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3 months ago



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4 months ago



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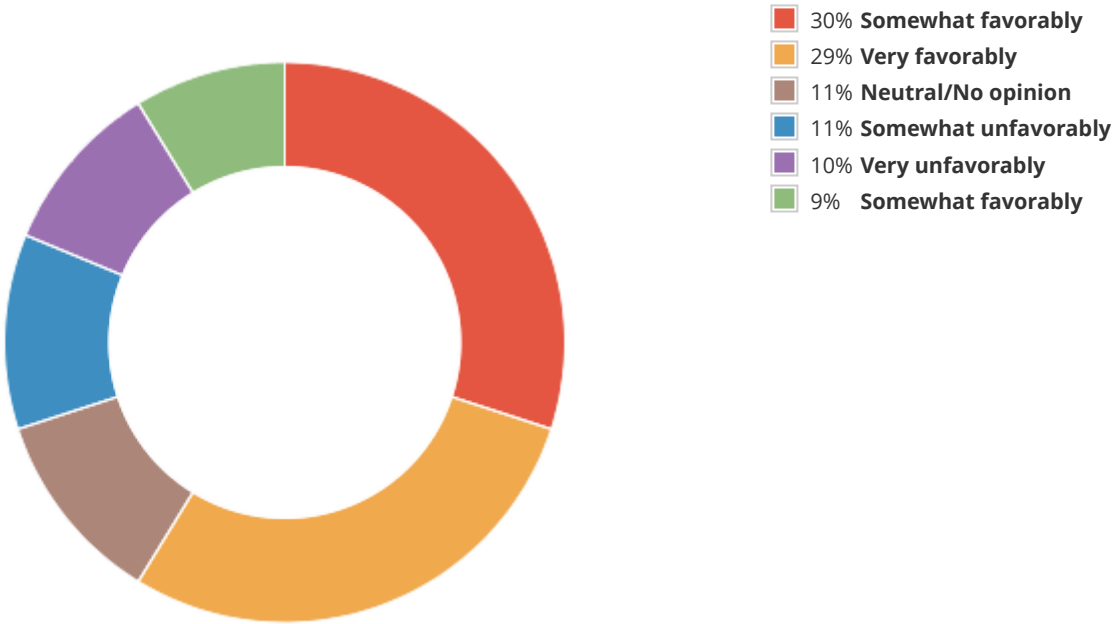
My home, close to friends.

7 months ago

7. Rate the following issues/trends affecting the City of Plainfield (Choose one option per row):

	Very important	Important	Somewhat important	Not at all important	Neutral/No opinion
Condition of the downtown	74% Very important	18% Important	1% Somewhat important	5% Not at all important	2% Neutral/No opinion
Affordability of housing	62% Very important	17% Important	12% Somewhat important	5% Not at all important	4% Neutral/No opinion
Diversity of housing stock	46% Very important	23% Important	23% Somewhat important	4% Not at all important	4% Neutral/No opinion
Traffic	48% Very important	19% Important	16% Somewhat important	6% Not at all important	10% Neutral/No opinion
Bicycle and pedestrian safety	54% Very important	23% Important	20% Somewhat important	3% Not at all important	- Neutral/No opinion
Condition of parks and recreational facilities	66% Very important	22% Important	9% Somewhat important	1% Not at all important	2% Neutral/No opinion
Preservation of homes and neighborhoods	74% Very important	18% Important	4% Somewhat important	1% Not at all important	4% Neutral/No opinion
Flooding in residential neighborhoods	62% Very important	27% Important	7% Somewhat important	1% Not at all important	2% Neutral/No opinion
Environmental protection/sustainability	61% Very important	27% Important	7% Somewhat important	1% Not at all important	4% Neutral/No opinion
Reliability of public transportation	56% Very important	24% Important	13% Somewhat important	3% Not at all important	5% Neutral/No opinion
Redevelopment of underutilized parts of the City	58% Very important	26% Important	12% Somewhat important	4% Not at all important	- Neutral/No opinion
Maintenance of water and sewer infrastructure	82% Very important	15% Important	- Somewhat important	1% Not at all important	1% Neutral/No opinion
83 respondents					

8. Generally, how do you view new development in the City of Plainfield? Please comment below as to why you feel that way.



80 respondents



After being here for almost 2 decades, I don't believe that the town has kept up with macro-level changes in this part of NJ. The town has not been successful in attracting diverse developers capable of improving the overall services available to residents in town, and the quality of life in town has not improved at a rate in keeping with surrounding areas. By comparison, the downtown area continues to be under-used and unattractive, other less desirable areas outside of downtown have continued to crumble and very little has been done to drive development in these areas. On South Avenue, the one area that likely didn't need so much "development" the concentrated effort seems erratically planned, with an over-scale residential project with no retail or other points of interest to benefit the overall community, and the future development of a gas station/ convenience store next to another convenience store and in close proximity to two gas stations that it will likely put out of business. Seems like very little forward thinking has been made about how these projects effect each other and the service levels for residents. Frankly, mind-boggling how this ever came to fruition.

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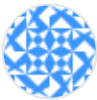
2 Agree



appears to be developer driven - resident / taxpayer desires and sound development strategies not a priority

6 months ago

2 Agree



Unhappy with plans to put a Wawa on South Ave. There appears to be no clear vision for the area.

6 months ago

2 Agree



Needs much more activity and visibility city wide

20 days ago

1 Agree



too much housing, need a hospital, bring back YWCA and YMCA, clean up the Parks and the sewers to prevent flooding. Enforce codes especially for multi family housing . I see too many chickens and rosters in residential areas which distract the beauty of some neighborhoods.

3 months ago

1 Agree



Too many apartments which will encourage a transient population and no loyalty to City. Also will increase the population in the schools and add to traffic. New development is not in keeping with the character of the City - many buildings look like urbanization and not inviting and too close to roadways and railroad tracks. The new buildings have no pizazz like surrounding towns.

5 months ago

1 Agree



Do NOT gentrify this town and community and push out people who cannot afford to live in the town they grew up in!

5 months ago

1 Agree



New development done carefully improves the look and viability of the city. Adds new attractions, new people. Reuses available land in an urban area, rather than creating sprawl.

5 months ago

1 Agree



The over concentration on South Ave will cause more traffic in the area.

5 months ago

1 Agree



Closed manufacturing/warehouses and retail areas makes the area look blighted. New, sensible redevelopment would improve overall character of the area and help return jobs back to the city.

6 months ago

1 Agree



South Ave is being saturated with housing, which in turn will increase traffic and crime. Also I'm very concerned that these properties will later become low income if they're not being rented out. Now I understand a WAWA is coming to South Ave. Residents with homes on Terrill and surrounding areas will see a depreciation in their homes! This thoroughfare use to be peaceful and walkable. No more!!

7 months ago

1 Agree



It is a key factor in improving the feel and reputation of the City.

7 months ago

1 Agree



South Avenue and Muhlenberg development is good, but need focus on Downtown/Front Street corridor. Most middle class residents spend no time or money Downtown. "Nothing there for me"

11 days ago



Am concerened that new construction will change he appearance of neighborhoods.

12 days ago



Concerned with the number of apartments being built .

14 days ago



The decision to allow Wawa on South avenue was poor at best. It's going to create a traffic nightmare, especially when the nearby housing structure is complete and full. What we need on South avenue are more restaurants and retail, and a full service grocery store, not another gas station and mini mart!

15 days ago



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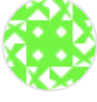
The wawa fuel plaza will destroy the nether wood neighborhood

16 days ago



There is a need for more bigger businesses.

20 days ago



Seems willy-nilly and favored toward renters, not owners.

23 days ago



There's a large emphasis on housing which could be shifted to more economic development or badly needed resources for the current residents. Housing is important, but I fear there is a lack of diversity in what is being proposed. Why aren't there more affordable starter homes/condos? I think this would appeal more to a younger demographic looking to settle down and grow in a transit friendly area. As many have previously expressed, I am also not a fan of the architecture. We have an opportunity to beautify our town and make it unique. So far that has not happened....

one month ago



I see great progress with new housing.

one month ago



Need to build more affordable housing.

2 months ago



The city is starting to look better, not as run down.

2 months ago



There needs to be more housing for young professionals.

2 months ago



It will bring in more quality individuals who want good surroundings and in turn the city will be kept up.

2 months ago



Need to include low income housing.

2 months ago



Redevelopment is a good thing but Plainfield has too many new apartments going up

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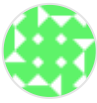
We need companies to really invest!

2 months ago



We must love where we live and take care of one another as if we are all one big family. Having these discussions with our neighbors and all getting on the same page whether that be for a new development or better side walks is key.

2 months ago



Too much housing will turn a quiet and calm community into a busy and crowded community. There is a need for some new apartment buildings, but they should be of high quality with subterranean parking and should have architectural significance. Recruit important architects. We need to rebuild a hospital on the Muhlenberg site and we should return the YMCA and YWCA to their buildings. We should prevent gentrification and the displacement of the poor. We should establish rent control laws.

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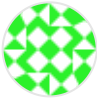
Too many apartments bring what happened to single family home ownership? We are not Jersey City or Hoboken.

5 months ago



New growth to the city

5 months ago



Relatively new to Plainfield, waiting to see how the current redevelopment goes. So far, not sure the people making decisions are making them for the betterment of the community and to improve quality of life. From what I see basic services and community pride are lacking as noted by the poor conditions in many neighborhoods, litter strewn all over the streets and the unattractive downtown area that does not appear to be safe in the evenings after dark,

5 months ago



None at this time

6 months ago



There are many several Areas in Plainfield that could be utilized for development of community buildings for activity for our community and its children. We are allowing developers to coming into our township, yet our tax rate is not decreasing any. The fact that seniors are paying as much taxes as families with children is outrageous! Seniors who have lower income paying the same amount does that sound fair. The new housing and the upcoming WAWA in my residential area is insulting to me. Why not place this on North Avenue where you have used and closed up warehouses. You will probably say the development and the planning board meetings for the South Ave development was advertised but by who, when and how? It is kept in secrecy from most of the residents. Renters over powering a mostly residential area what a disaster.

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9. What do you think are the major benefits to new construction in the City? *Select all that apply)*

53%	Increased tax base	39 ✓
47%	Re-use of underutilized/derelict properties	34 ✓
45%	Improved overall aesthetics in the City	33 ✓
44%	More economic activity/support for existing local businesses	32 ✓
30%	New population	22 ✓
11%	Other. Please comment below.	8 ✓



Some areas need to be redeveloped to improve the aesthetics of the town, but we definitely don't need to overpopulate this small town!!

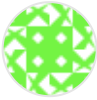
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1 Agree



Increased population can support new essential And non essential services

16 days ago



Careful about offering "increased tax base" as an option in case of abatements and other incentives that result in no revenue increase.

23 days ago



We need more new population and to work together in order to ensure more economic growth. Supporting existing local businesses is important and provides more jobs to the town so people can support their families.

2 months ago



I think most of the new construction is not well thought out. For 80 years, cheap and unattractive building and alteration has been permitted in Plainfield. Demolition of beautiful buildings, homes and two gorgeous train stations in the west end has occurred. There is no other community our size in New Jersey that has the grand banks, post office and Y's of Plainfield. Cedarbrook Park was designed by the Olmsted brothers! I'm impressed by individual homeowner's restorations and I love the new Queen City Coffee Roasters on Court Place. That is what a storefront should look like in Plainfield.

5 months ago



Many buildings are not adaptive re-use of buildings. Too many tax incentives to developers. Buildings are not necessarily being built with superior products - faux brick and particle board.

5 months ago



I hope for increased tax base but with all these developer driven projects using in lieu of tax not sure they city will get much relief.

5 months ago



None. This is disrespectful to the people who have lived here for ages. There is not thoughtful planning for the future only corporate greed.

5 months ago



Taxes have not decreased and businesses are the same on every corner. Supermarkets and true upscale retail is a must. Parking is a huge concern

5 months ago



The increased tax base that will result in decreasing the tax base for the people who built this city through their taxes over the past 30 plus years

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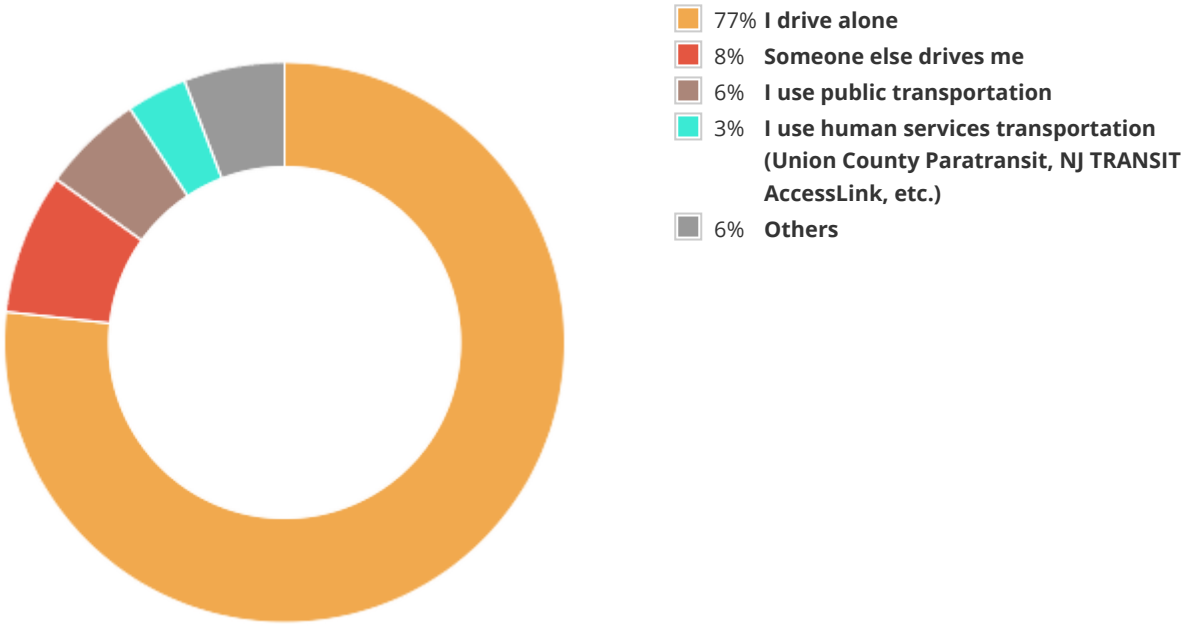
10. What do you think are the major challenges related to new construction in the City?
(Select all that apply)

67%	Traffic	52 ✓
44%	Change in community character	34 ✓
42%	Impact on schools	33 ✓
42%	Impact on services	33 ✓
37%	Overpopulation	29 ✓
36%	Lack of visual quality of architecture	28 ✓
6%	Other. Please comment below.	5 ✓

11. Should the City encourage or discourage the following types of potential residential development? (Choose one option per row):

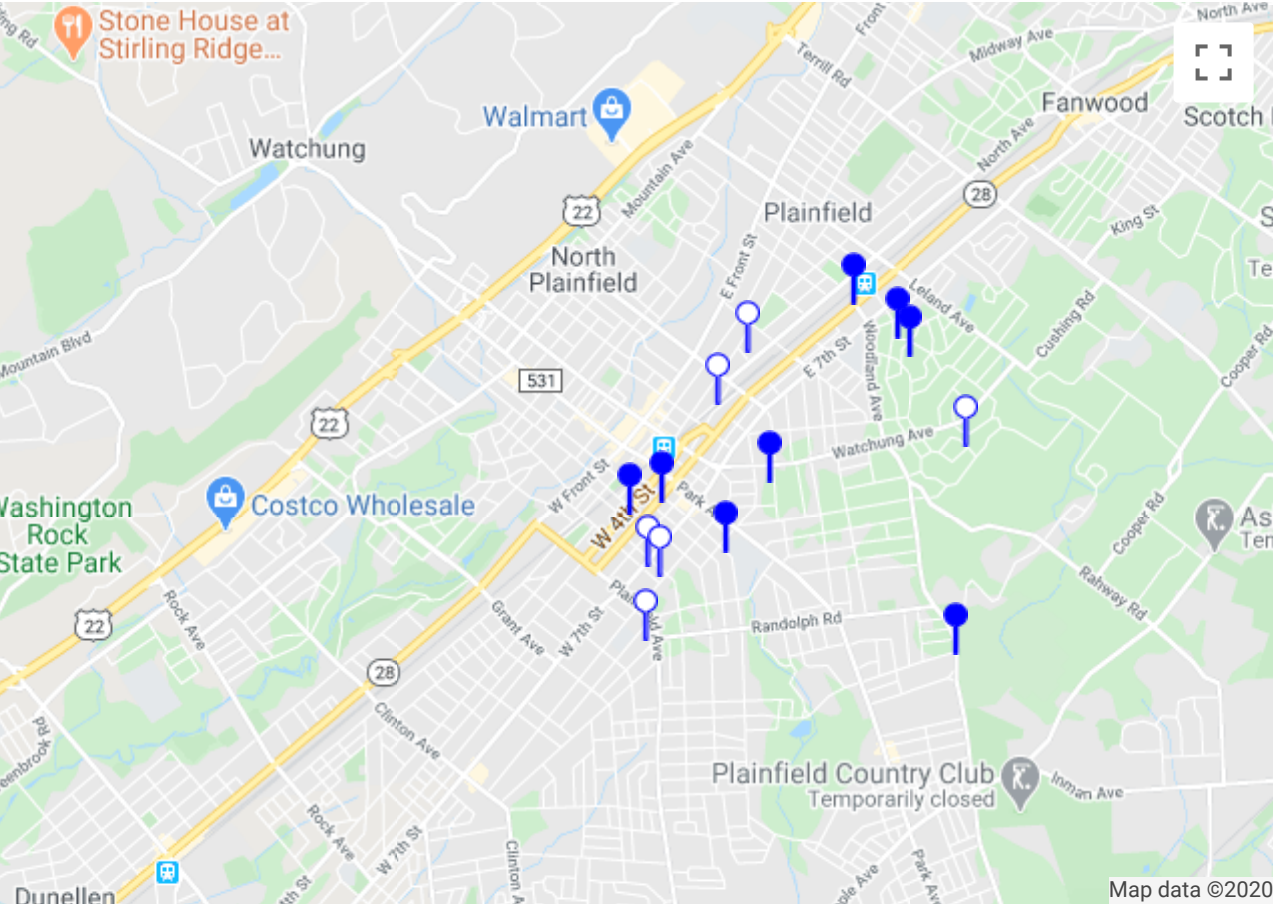
	Strongly encourage	Encourage	Neutral/No opinion	Discourage	Strongly discourage
Single-family	56% Strongly encourage	26% Encourage	14% Neutral/No opinion	3% Discourage	1% Strongly discourage
Duplex	14% Strongly encourage	34% Encourage	30% Neutral/No opinion	14% Discourage	7% Strongly discourage
Townhouses	25% Strongly encourage	35% Encourage	27% Neutral/No opinion	10% Discourage	3% Strongly discourage
Apartments/Condominiums	21% Strongly encourage	19% Encourage	30% Neutral/No opinion	22% Discourage	8% Strongly discourage
Mixed-use (Residential and Commercial combined)	19% Strongly encourage	37% Encourage	29% Neutral/No opinion	13% Discourage	1% Strongly discourage
Senior housing (of any style)	47% Strongly encourage	33% Encourage	20% Neutral/No opinion	- Discourage	- Strongly discourage
Affordable housing (of any style)	44% Strongly encourage	20% Encourage	21% Neutral/No opinion	11% Discourage	4% Strongly discourage
78 respondents					

12. How do you usually travel in and around Plainfield?



86 respondents

13. Are there intersections or other locations where you feel unsafe, either as a driver, pedestrian, or bicyclist? Please provide the reason why in the comments section



Park & Seventh

6 months ago 1 Agree



Laramie & Cameron Avenue intersections always loud crowd all during Summer and throughout. Not comfortable noting other reasons

11 days ago



When on Randolph Road, Difficult to see traffic heading north on Woodland Road

11 days ago



Front street and park ave between front and 8th. To many people hanging out begging for change, drunk or under influence of drugs.

14 days ago



I live on Watching Avenue near Leland, and the stretch from Leland to the light on Woodland Ave has been like a racing strip for cars and motorcycles. We could use a stop sign somewhere between Leland and Woodland to force the traffic to adhere to the 25 mph speed limit.

15 days ago



Four way stop signs are terrible ... most drivers don't know the rules

16 days ago



With the stop sign on Kensington and on Leland going toward mountain has reduced my stress.

20 days ago



Speeding is a citywide issue. Needs to be addressed especially on side streets.

20 days ago



The entire stretch of Woodland ave.

23 days ago



More/better bike lanes.

2 months ago



People don't stop at stop signs all over the town

2 months ago



Downtown and the train stations feel very unsafe at night

2 months ago



Downtown in general

2 months ago



Clinton Ave in South Plainfield onto Sherman Ave all the way to Sherman and Grant Ave always has people down it.

2 months ago



There are sidewalks that are unsafe due to upheaval or litter

2 months ago



why the four way stop signs at Myrtle Ave and rock? It has cause major congestion

3 months ago



Cars are always speeding down George st. and there is nothing in place to slow them down,I have a corner house and I fear that one day a car would lose control and crash into my house or a kid would get fatally hit trying to go to the park or football field..

3 months ago



Myrtle and Rock, the school causes major backup
Spooner and Wallace, the parents park and have the children are having a hard time looking around cars to see if its safe to cross

4 months ago



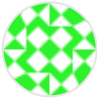
Belvidere and 7th Street needs a light.

5 months ago



Rock and Myrtle Avenue, West End/Grant Avenue at Green Brook Park entrance, West 7th and Grant when school in session, Plainfield Avenue and Sheridan and Randolph, and all railroad bridges need better signage for height for trucks and buses.

5 months ago



Leland and E 7th. Crosswalk maintenance every where is poor

5 months ago



Every part of city but especially rock and front

5 months ago



Pedestrians who feel compelled to walk in the roadway due to damaged sidewalks.

6 months ago



As a resident of the Netherwood Heights area who takes the NJTransit train at the Netherwood station, the intersections at Belvidere and E. 7th and at Belvidere and South Avenue are most hazardous. Belvidere is the most direct route for anyone walking to the train from this part of town, and those two intersections do not have stop signs or lights. Drivers ignore the crosswalk law, so pedestrians often need to sprint across when crossing to avoid getting hit.

6 months ago



This the major intersection that pedestrians who walk from their homes in Netherwood Heights use to cross South Avenue get to the train station... drivers ignore the crosswalk law, and there is no light at the intersection so pedestrians need to jog quickly across when crossing to avoid getting hit.

6 months ago



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6 months ago



four way stops are a hazard and an obstacle - plainfield drivers are at a loss to navigate

6 months ago



People need to learn how to drive... it's not that hard to figure a 4 way stop out.

6 months ago



Park & Second

6 months ago



Madison/W. Front Street

6 months ago



East 7th Street & Franklin

6 months ago



I feel unsafe on Watching Ave from City Hall all the way to Rt. 22, W 7th, downtown Plainfield, W Front St, Berckman Ave from Hillside Ave to E Front St., 2nd and 3rd Ave's. These areas are crowded and many accidents occur.

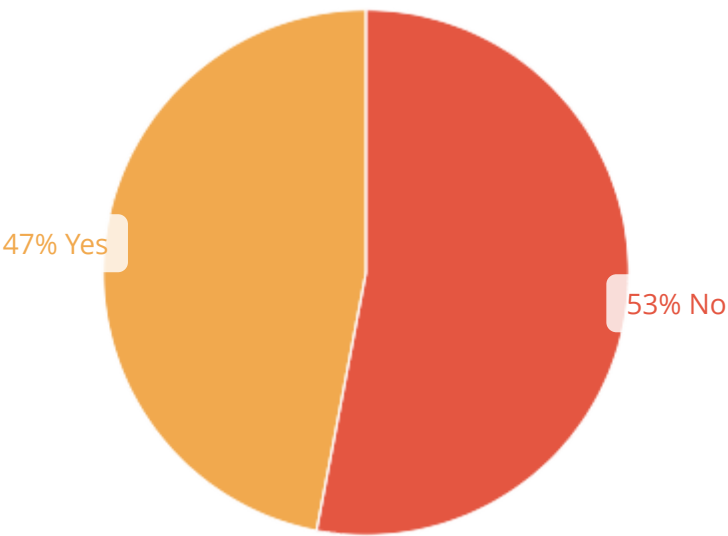
7 months ago



Speeding on city streets needs to be discouraged using speed bumps or other "traffic calming schemes" as the Brits call them. Hillside Ave has long stretches at both ends which encourage speeding.

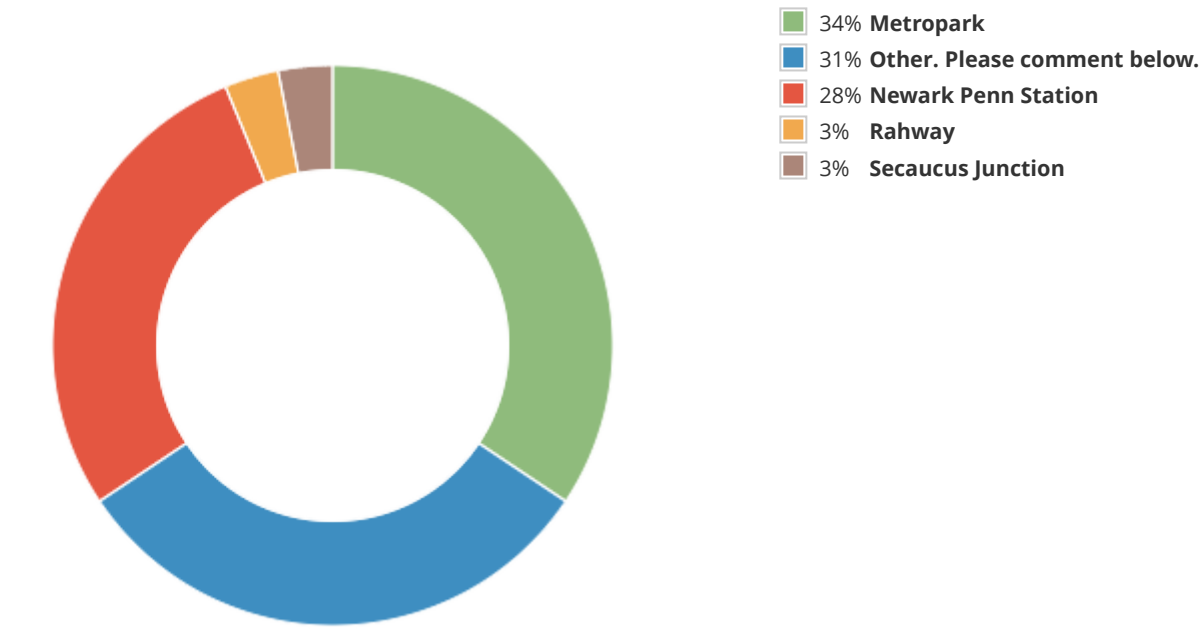
7 months ago

14. Do you use the Plainfield or Netherwood Train Station?



83 respondents

15. If you answered **NO** to Question #14 and do use the train, do you use another train station as an alternative?



32 respondents



No

11 days ago



Not enough one seat Options into NYC

11 days ago



Ample parking well lite and safe.

14 days ago



Fanwood Station. I need a parking machine/meter that provides a receipt.

15 days ago



Edison Train Station

2 months ago



Dunnellen is closer to my home.

2 months ago



No

2 months ago



Rahway train station goes straight to NYC

3 months ago



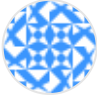
frequency of the trains at all times during the day/night

5 months ago



Depending on when I'm coming home at night, I'll opt for the Fanwood Station... it's only a bit further away from my home. Netherwood Station is dark at night on the North Ave side and walking through the tunnel to get to South Avenue feel unsafe, even during the day.

6 months ago



Fanwood. It's cleaner and better secu

6 months ago



Fanwood Station

6 months ago



None of the above

6 months ago



I use Fanwood Station. Netherwood station is extremely important for the community but there is no security for the patrons, and its not kept up.

7 months ago



The two train stations in Plainfield are extremely important to Plainfield even though I am not a rider.

7 months ago

16. If you answered **YES** to Question #14, please choose the following reasons you use train service from Plainfield or Netherwood Station. **(Select all that apply)**

63%	To go to an entertainment venue or event	27 ✓
44%	To visit a friend or family	19 ✓
33%	To go out at night in another town/city	14 ✓
30%	Shopping	13 ✓
26%	Work	11 ✓
14%	To access healthcare services	6 ✓
7%	Other. Please comment below.	3 ✓
5%	School	2 ✓



I use the Netherwood Station to go to NYC for shopping and entertainment

12 days ago



To go to nyc

16 days ago



I do most of my entertaining in NYC

2 months ago



Only use it occasionally to go to Newark

5 months ago



The convenience of the Netherwood Station is super important to me, and was one of the reasons why I selected my home... I'm only about half a mile away... a 10 min walk.

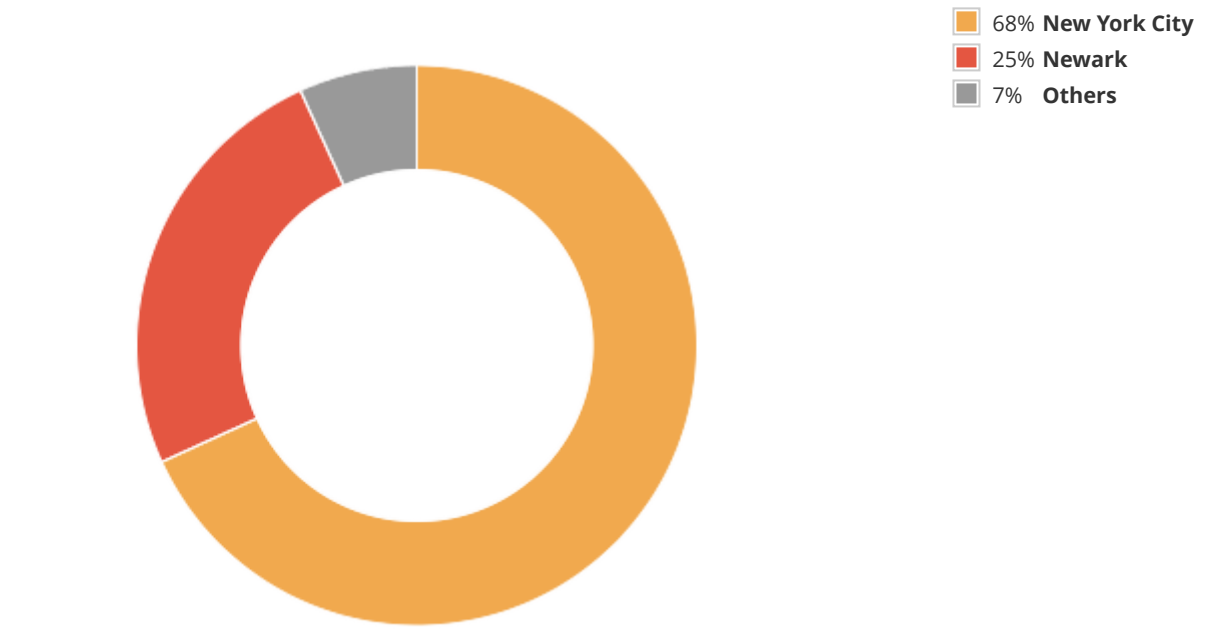
6 months ago



to get into and out of NYC

6 months ago

17. If you answered **YES** to Question #14, what is your usual destination?



44 respondents



Newark as well as destinations along the Raritan valley line in both directions

2 months ago



NYC and Newark

2 months ago



New York and Newark

2 months ago



New York and Newark, and occasionally the Airport.

6 months ago



Direct to NYC train needed - critical to help in the redevelopment of the area

6 months ago



NYC and Newark

6 months ago



A direct route is desperately needed. Changing trains in Newark is horrible!!

7 months ago

18. If you answered **NO** to Question #14, why do you not use the station? **(Select all that apply)**

35%	Don't have a reason to use the train for any purpose	13 ✓
22%	Lack of one-seat ride to Penn Station	8 ✓
22%	Lack of parking	8 ✓
19%	Frequency of service	7 ✓
19%	Safety/security around station	7 ✓
16%	Fare cost	6 ✓
14%	Reliability of NJ TRANSIT service	5 ✓
14%	Destination does not meet needs/too many transfers to reach destination	5 ✓
11%	Cost of parking	4 ✓
8%	Time of service	3 ✓
8%	Other. Please comment below.	3 ✓
5%	Location of station	2 ✓



Mass transit does not work for my commute

20 days ago



The Netherwood train station doesn't go straight to NYC

3 months ago



Though I do use the train, when I opt not to, it's because depending on the time of day or night it's easier to just drive to Newark and take the train there so I don't have to switch at Newark, a process that can be very unreliable.

6 months ago



Netherwood Station is not kept up! There were flowers, manicured grass etc!! Friends of Sleepy Hollow worked hard to create a historic, colonial town look and feel on South Ave including Netherwood Station. What happened??

7 months ago

19. Which days/times do you typically park in the Downtown? **(Select all that apply)**

	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning (before 10am)	48% Weekday	33% Saturday	19% Sunday
Mid-day (10am-2pm)	65% Weekday	23% Saturday	12% Sunday
Afternoon (2pm-5pm)	62% Weekday	23% Saturday	15% Sunday
Evening (after 5pm)	31% Weekday	46% Saturday	23% Sunday
All day (at least 8 hours)	50% Weekday	33% Saturday	17% Sunday
27 respondents			

20. In your opinion, what is your perception of parking in Plainfield?

	Excellent	Good	Neutral/No Opinion	Fair	Poor
Availability of parking in the Downtown	3% Excellent	12% Good	25% Neutral/No Opinion	20% Fair	40% Poor
Parking space locations relative to your intended destination	2% Excellent	18% Good	35% Neutral/No Opinion	20% Fair	25% Poor
Communication of where parking is located	- Excellent	21% Good	30% Neutral/No Opinion	18% Fair	32% Poor
Cost of parking	7% Excellent	21% Good	36% Neutral/No Opinion	13% Fair	23% Poor
Ability to pay for parking	- Excellent	21% Good	43% Neutral/No Opinion	20% Fair	16% Poor
Security of parking lots	2% Excellent	7% Good	40% Neutral/No Opinion	25% Fair	25% Poor
Condition of parking lots/spaces	- Excellent	9% Good	38% Neutral/No Opinion	23% Fair	30% Poor
On-street parking in residential neighborhoods	3% Excellent	28% Good	21% Neutral/No Opinion	21% Fair	28% Poor
61 respondents					

21. In the last month, where have you shopped or received services in the following areas within the City of Plainfield? **(Select all that apply)**

52%	Downtown	33 ✓
40%	Netherwood Commercial District	25 ✓
22%	Clinton Avenue/West 7th Street Commercial District	14 ✓
22%	Other. Please comment below.	14 ✓
6%	Clinton Avenue/Route 28 Commercial District	4 ✓



Have lived here for 25 years and never shop here

5 months ago 1 Agree



South Plainfield. Watchung. Westfield North Plainfield

5 months ago 1 Agree



Coffee Box and Italian Village on South Avenue, and the new Queen City Coffee Roasters in Downtown... that's it. I frankly don't even know the other commercials districts mentioned in this survey and I've lived in town about 20 years.... tells you something.

6 months ago 1 Agree



Downtown Plainfield is totally geared towards the Hispanic Population in the town.

7 months ago 1 Agree



Had to go to Main post office once to collect a certified letter. Usually use Muhlenberg PO or South Plainfield. Literally spend less than \$100 per year in Plainfield businesses

11 days ago



Elizabeth

2 months ago



Rt. 22

2 months ago



Mainly route 22 or oak tree road

2 months ago



Mostly Route 22

2 months ago



The health food store on Front St

2 months ago



Woodbridge and Menlo park mall

2 months ago



Not in Plainfield

2 months ago



I used Post office on clinton ave

3 months ago



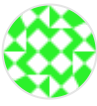
I've never shopped here there's nothing good here..

3 months ago



I live in the western end of the City. Unfortunately I access services out of town to the west, Middlesex, Bound Brook or Rt. 22. For the holidays I shop in Westfield. I use Grove Lock, but parking is not good. I do go to the Dunkin Donuts and Clinton Avenue Post Office, but I consider that the Clinton Avenue corridor and not rt. 28.

5 months ago



I go to surrounding towns- besides lacking adequate retail for shopping, the aesthetics of Plainfield are severely lacking, as well as, feeling safe

5 months ago



None at this time

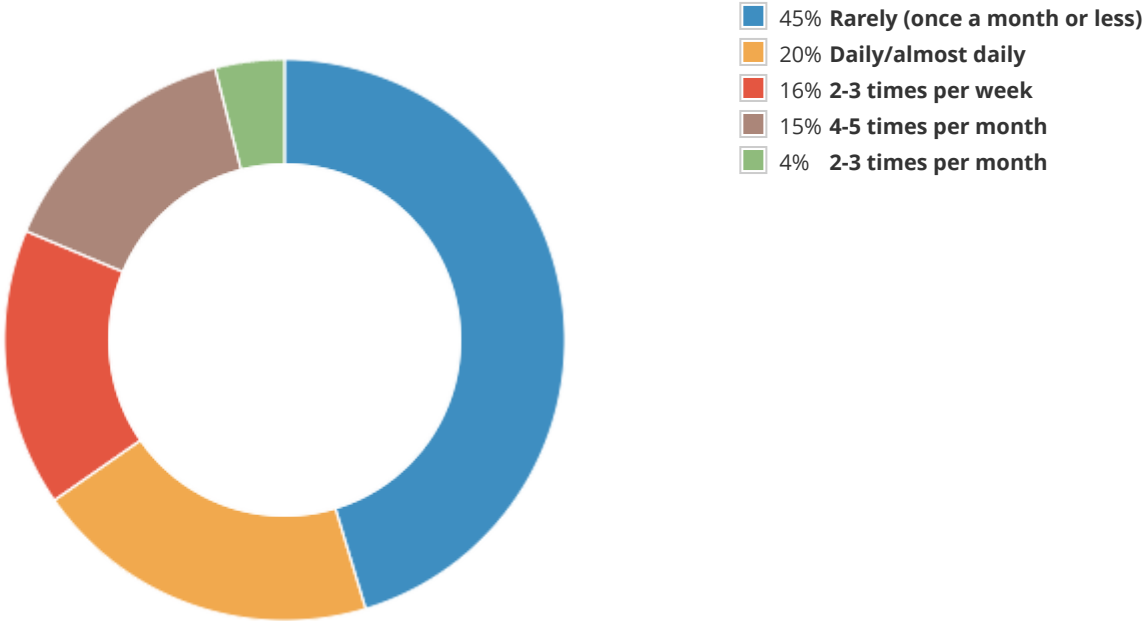
6 months ago



None of the above

6 months ago


22. In a typical month, how often do you shop or use services in the City of Plainfield?




75 respondents

23. In the last month, which of the following statements apply to you? **(Select all that apply)**


56%	I eat at Plainfield restaurants	36 ✓
27%	I go to health and beauty services in Plainfield (salon, barber, etc.)	17 ✓
25%	I shop at Plainfield retail stores	16 ✓
17%	I go to Plainfield cultural facilities (museum, etc.)	11 ✓
17%	I go to fitness services in Plainfield (gym, martial arts, yoga, etc.)	11 ✓
11%	I go to entertainment establishments in Plainfield (bars, etc.)	7 ✓
11%	Other. Please comment below.	7 ✓
8%	I go to professional services in Plainfield (accounting, lawyer, etc.)	5 ✓

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None. I live here but that It.

5 months ago 1 Agree
- 


NONE

11 days ago
- 


Ive also been to the senior center and attended cultural events.

2 months ago
- 


I support businesses outside of Plainfield

2 months ago
- 


You should add church to the list. There are so many churches in Plainfield!

5 months ago
- 


I go to the Plainfield Public Library, du Cret School of Art facilities for events, Drake House Museum, Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church for musical events. There was no question about medical facilities in question 23.

5 months ago
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Pizza

5 months ago
- 


Only a couple of establishments on South Avenue... and the one I went to most often recently closed (Giovanna's).

6 months ago
- 

transit / pedestrian oriented medium density development needs to happen around the two train stations - with a population increase that will draw desirable restaurant, retail, and services development to these areas

6 months ago
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I get my hair done in Plainfiled only

6 months ago
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None - Post Office, Bank only

6 months ago



I go to the cleaners, and several fast food eateries.

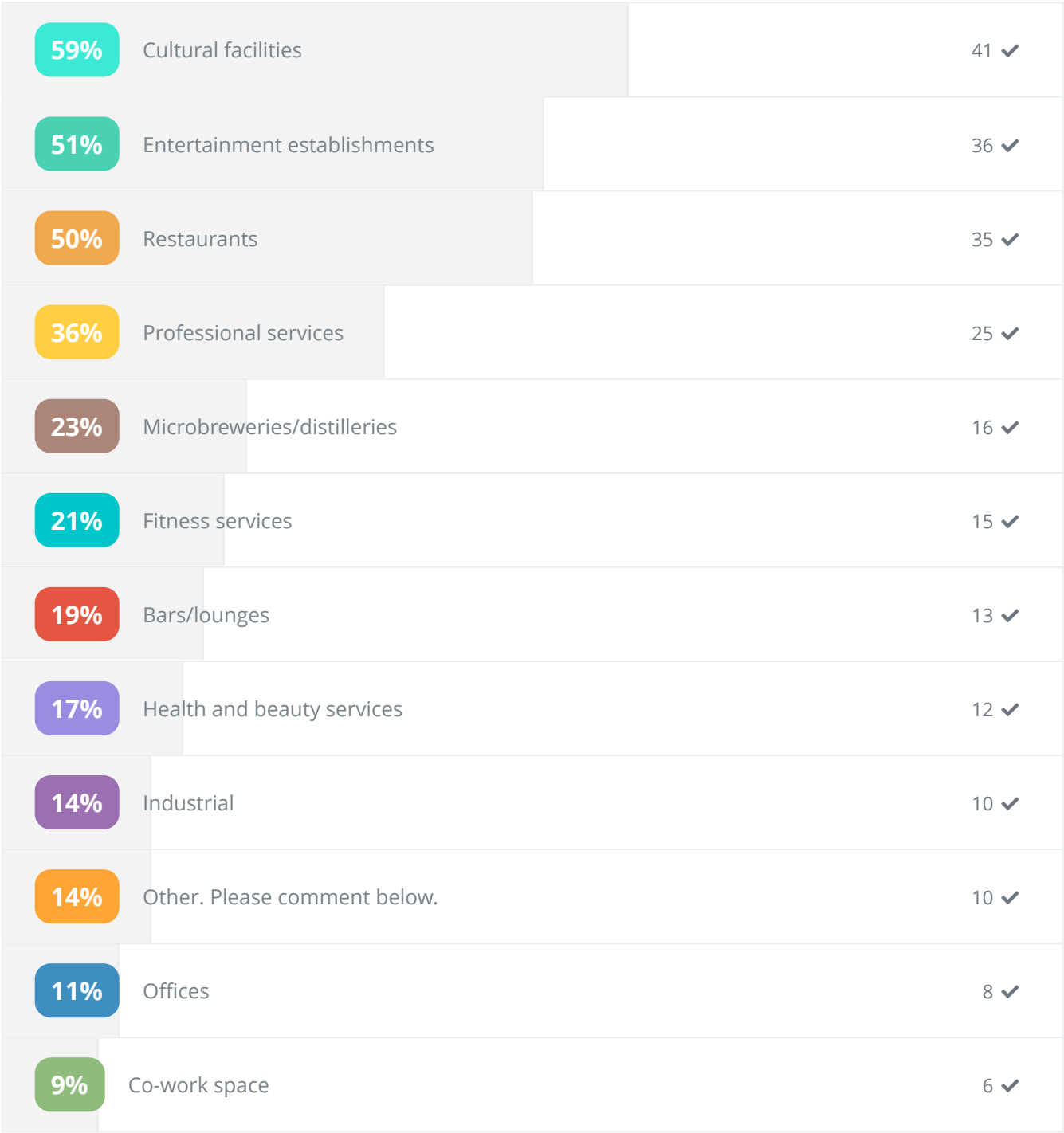
7 months ago




Regularly attend social gatherings in town, attend theater productions at DuCret. More of the later type events (arts and theater) should be encouraged.

7 months ago


24. In your opinion, City of Plainfield could use more: **(Select all that apply)**



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Recreational Centers for children to replace the YMCA/YWCA that no longer exist in Plainfield.

22 days ago


⊕ 1 Agree
- 

Definitely no more restaurants, beauty services, bars/lounges or industrial!!!


7 months ago

⊕ 1 Agree
- 


Clean, full service grocery store with quality merchandise

11 days ago
- 


Sustainable and resilient development

16 days ago
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
I think we need more larger chains, like a Golden Coral.

one month ago
- 


Park committee center (green park)

2 months ago
- 


The city could use more recreation for children, banquet halls, quality restaurants and less bars/lounges.

2 months ago
- 

Definitely don't need anymore Hispanic restaurants.

2 months ago
- 

Need more stores like Target

2 months ago
- 

Green brook parks and movie theaters

2 months ago



The city could use more upscale stores and amenities for people to shop and use. The stores are too low scale and not inviting to people like me who would spend the money.

2 months ago



rec centers for children

4 months ago



A hospital and doctor’s offices. A hospital affiliated fitness center with pools, including a warm, therapeutic pool

5 months ago



Medical Services and chain restaurants. There are many buildings along the train tracks that can be used for warehouse because they have or had railroad sidings to enable the use of the railroad to move goods.

5 months ago



Businesses other than hair salons, Restuarants, the same thing you see on every corner.

5 months ago



Spaces that promote arts and or sports such as an indoor sports facility.

5 months ago



Plainfield is a severely under-serviced community.

6 months ago



tax dodging 'church' properties need to be addressed

6 months ago



Other cultures/non latino

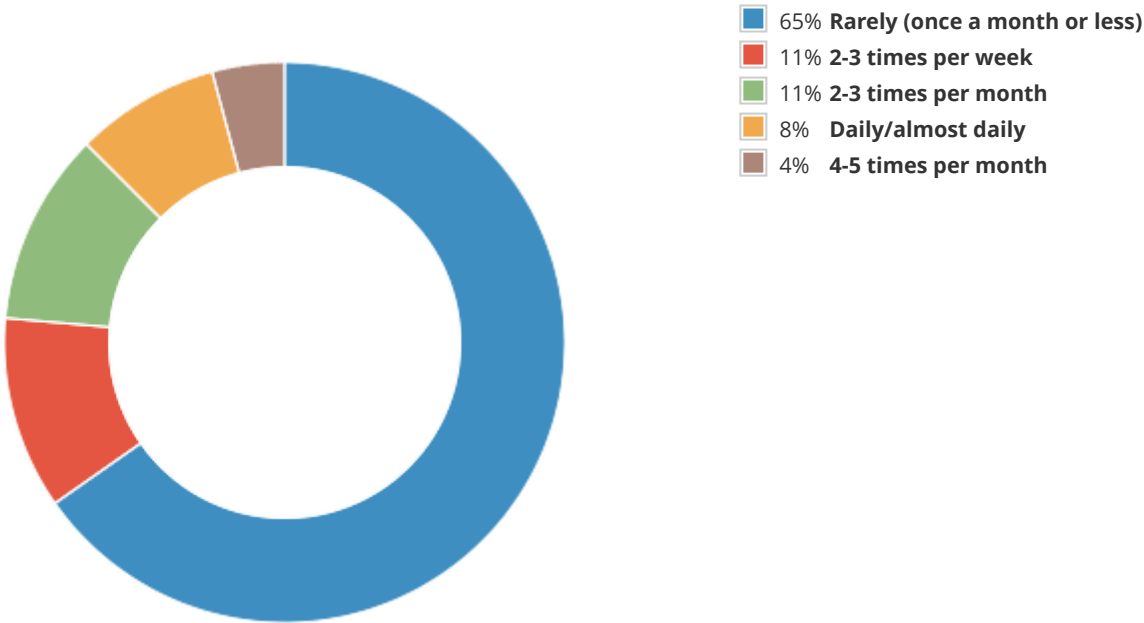
6 months ago



Co-work space would be a great addition!

6 months ago

25. How often do you go to a park in Plainfield?




72 respondents

26. Which park do you typically visit? **(Select all that apply)**

70%	Cedar Brook Park (County and City)	35 ✓
30%	Green Brook Park (County)	15 ✓
24%	Milton Campbell Field	12 ✓
14%	Library Park	7 ✓
4%	Madison Avenue Playground	2 ✓
4%	Seidler Field	2 ✓
2%	Woodland Avenue Plaza	1 ✓
2%	Hannah Atkins Playground	1 ✓
2%	West 3rd Street Playground	1 ✓
2%	Rushmore Avenue Playground	1 ✓
2%	Bryant Playground	1 ✓
2%	Maple Crest Playground	1 ✓
2%	Plainfield Skate Park	1 ✓
0%	Sloane Boulevard Playground	0 ✓
0%	James Sherman Park	0 ✓
0%	South 2nd Street Tot Lot	0 ✓
0%	Mathewson Playground	0 ✓
0%	Rock Avenue Basketball Complex	0 ✓


27. If you rarely visit a park in Plainfield, what are the reasons why? **(Select all that apply)**

44%	The parks are not in good condition or feel unsafe	21 ✓
27%	The parks do not have the kind of facilities I want	13 ✓
23%	Too busy	11 ✓
19%	Other. Please comment below.	9 ✓
10%	There is no convenient park near where I live	5 ✓

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Cedar Brook is overdeveloped, and Green Brook is very historic and deserves to be treated better as the historic site that it is and not beaten down by overcrowded sports events. Crowd control and field control is needed.

5 months ago

1 Agree
- 


some areas of our parks need to be planted with native flora to create habitat for native fauna

6 months ago


1 Agree
- 

I feel unsafe


7 months ago

1 Agree
- 


I Would like to see fitness stations in Cedarbrook Park

11 days ago
- 


I don't feel safe

15 days ago
- 


Only for summer concerts

2 months ago
- 


The weather

2 months ago
- 


I dont know much about the parks in the area.

2 months ago
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I'm very sick and spend most of my time in bed and in a therapeutic pool.

5 months ago
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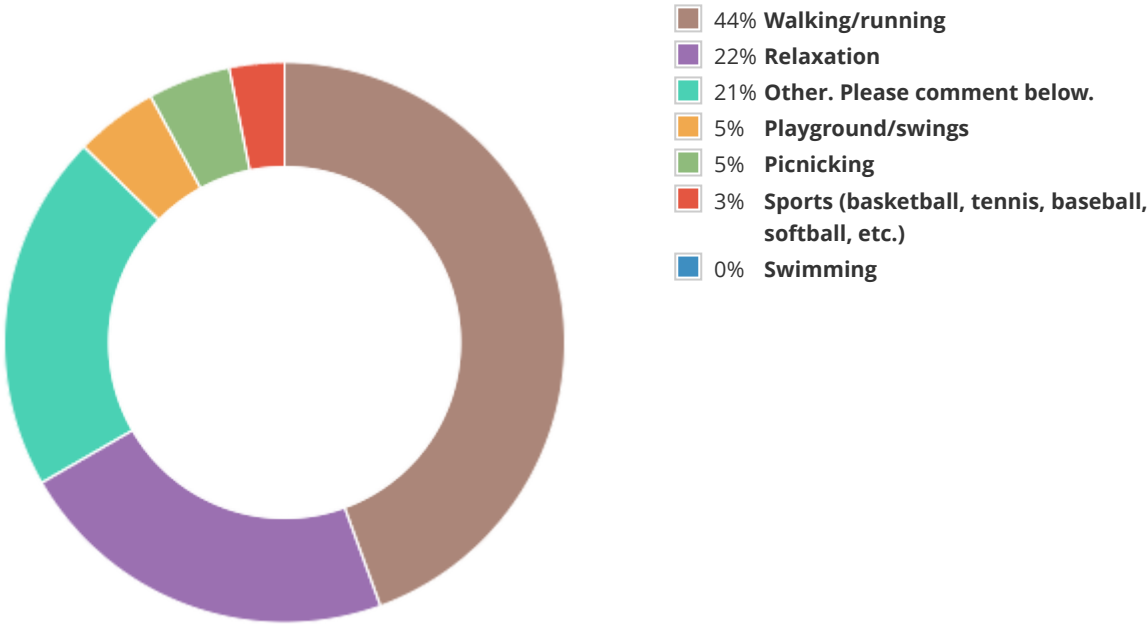
I would go to the park by the Cook school more because it's close to my home, but there aren't any paved paths, and it's too small.

6 months ago
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Neighborhood walks suffice as we live in perhaps the nicest (from a pedestrian viewpoint) historic district in Plainfield.

7 months ago

28. What is the main reason you go to a park?



63 respondents



Walk my dog

14 days ago



Exercise for me and my dog

16 days ago



Walk the kids there.

23 days ago



I use the parks for all the listed reasons.

2 months ago



All of the above

2 months ago



walking/running, picnicking and relaxation

2 months ago



Very well maintained

2 months ago



My reasons for going include sports, walking/running, picnicking and relaxation.

2 months ago



I take m grandchildren and we typically use the playground/swings, walk/run, picnic and relax

2 months ago



Concerts or family functions

2 months ago



Playground/swings, sports, walking/running and relaxation

2 months ago



Greenbrook Park needs to be cleaned up. There is a lot of habitat that will intrigue you ,however, you cant enjoy it if the park isn't at its best.

3 months ago



To view nature, trees, birds, light, plants, flowing water.

5 months ago



Walking, Biking, Soccer, runs with my dogs

5 months ago



concerts held in the park in the summer and on holidays

5 months ago



Biking, birding and cleaning up trash

5 months ago



6 months ago



Fireworks and an occasional visit to Shakespeare Garden.

6 months ago



walk dog - the cook school park is missing from your list -it is the park I most frequent

6 months ago

29. What facilities (playgrounds, etc.) that are not available at a City park now, would you most like to see, and where?



Restore the Kenyon Gardens, signage in Green Brook to tell the Revolutionary War story, historic pathway, restore the pond so people can ice skate, and signs to tell people to leave the birds and animals alone.

5 months ago

1 Agree



gardens, outdoor gyms, running paths, more trees

5 months ago

1 Agree



Community gardens

5 months ago

1 Agree



Ice skating

5 months ago

1 Agree



community gardens for residents with no Private garden options - less mowed grass - more meadows and forest areas - trees and shrubs

6 months ago

1 Agree



Fitness stations

11 days ago



Dog park

14 days ago



Habitat restoration ... remove invasive plants and plant native plans ... massive reduction of mowed lawns ... stop destruction of open space by building AstroTurf sport complexes and parking lots

16 days ago



Gardens and more community pools/aquatic centers

one month ago



sprinkler park, ice skating, roller skating

one month ago



Becnhes and more parking

2 months ago



Benches, bathrooms and seating areas

2 months ago



Restrooms, Bike paths and walking paths

2 months ago



- 1. More police presence downtown
- 2. Stores that are more inviting to young families
- 3. Cleanup of storefronts

2 months ago



Outdoor gym,running path,trees,and a better playground..

3 months ago



Nothing of interest... at these parks... need gardens.

6 months ago



Gardens

6 months ago

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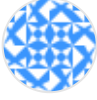
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3 months ago



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6 months ago



Gardens

6 months ago

30. Rank in order to priority (1 through 8) the Open Space/Flood Mitigation strategies that are most important to you:

56%	Stormwater infrastructure maintenance/repairs	Rank: 1.93	29 ✓
58%	Dredging/Obstruction removal from Green Brook/Cedar Brook	Rank: 2.63	30 ✓
50%	Acquisition of land for open space and conservation of natural habitat/environmental protection	Rank: 3.12	26 ✓
44%	Wetlands/Natural habitat restoration in existing preserved open space	Rank: 3.17	23 ✓
48%	Acquisition of available unimproved land in the floodplain	Rank: 3.20	25 ✓
48%	Acquisition and demolition of existing structures located in the floodplain	Rank: 4.00	25 ✓
52%	Elevation of homes located in floodplain	Rank: 4.22	27 ✓
6%	Other. Please comment below.	Rank: 6.67	3 ✓



There is too much garbage in the Green Brook that flows downstream into Green Brook Park. A concerted effort must be made to educate people about what their littering does to the environment.

5 months ago

2 Agree



coordination with upstream / regional watershed communities

6 months ago

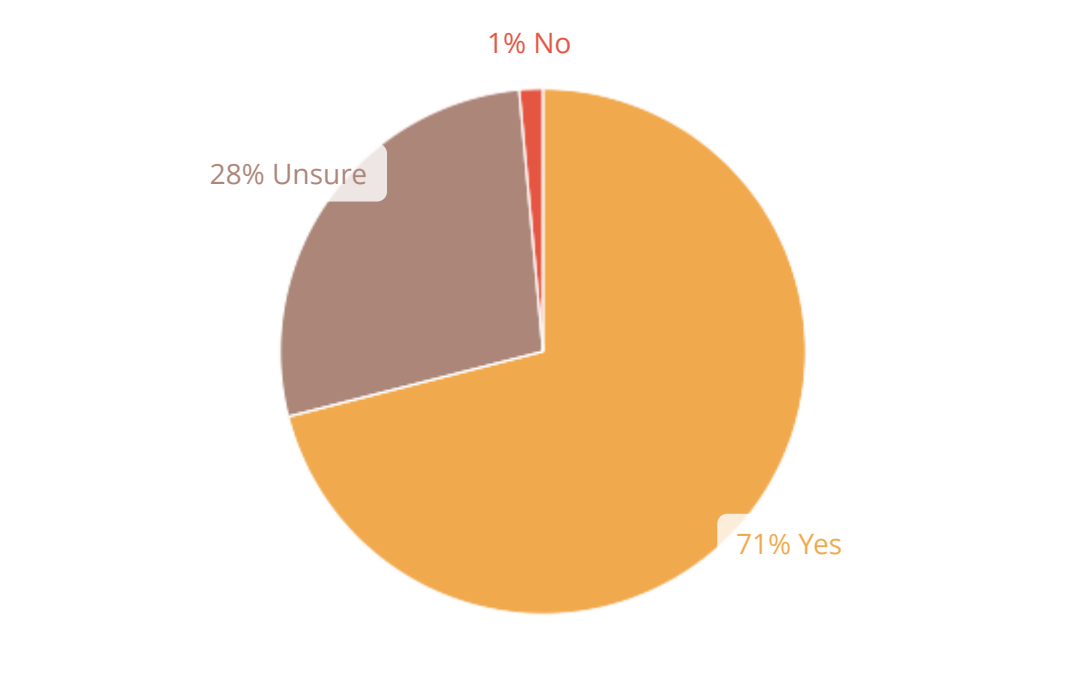
2 Agree



Restoration of riparian flora along waterways

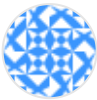
16 days ago

31. Are there areas of the City of Plainfield you would like to see preserved/enhanced/restored? **If yes, please specify where.**



There are many historic homes in Plainfield that are at risk and that should be incorporated into existing or new Historic Districts. These homes are strategically important to the appearance and feel of the City and its development into the future. They are attracting many of the buyers from adjacent or near communities because of the value and community attributes they offer.

7 months ago 3 Agree



Preserve historic homes and districts. Preserve historic buildings downtown.

6 months ago 2 Agree



No Wawas, where viable businesses thrived.

6 months ago 1 Agree



All physical revitalization efforts need to be focused on DOWNTOWN... with a reason for people to want to go there and patronize businesses... cultural, culinary, architectural venues.

6 months ago 1 Agree



West End

11 days ago



Downtown Front Street Corridor

11 days ago



Restore Downtown Enhance North Ave

12 days ago



4th Ward. Particularly West of Plainfield Avenue.

15 days ago



Historic homes and neighborhoods need protection

16 days ago



Open space preservation.

20 days ago



Downtown storefronts

22 days ago



The downtown area is an eye sore.

23 days ago



YMCA, our school buildings, buildings downtown

one month ago



Enhance the downtown area - this is needed.

2 months ago



Parks

2 months ago



Plainfield Ave pool

2 months ago



Muhlenberg hospital

2 months ago



muhlenberg

2 months ago



All of the parks

2 months ago



The library

2 months ago



West end - Front St warehouses. Clean up the area and put in viable stores.

2 months ago



YMCA

2 months ago



Downtown and south avenue

3 months ago



I would like to see downtown restored, businesses to the factories, Netherwood shopping area enhanced with reproductions of historic buildings.

5 months ago



Adaptive re-use of old buildings and not demolition of old buildings. The old buildings are the character of the City. The new ones will not last the 100 + years that the older buildings have lasted. The factory buildings can be adapted like Steel Town in PA. The Green Brook is a waterway that is not appreciated, and could be developed in a waterway area that can benefit the entire City like the ones in Oklahoma. Shops, restaurants, walking paths can be developed around the Green Brook and revitalized the entire City from east to west.

5 months ago



Older Buildings. Old factories that can be converted developed into something more useful for the community and encourage local small business owners to invest in our community.

5 months ago



Older buildings downtown.

5 months ago



the urban / pedestrian character of the downtown and netherwood transit areas must be preserved and developed - no more Park Madison or Brobdingnagian Wawa fuel plazas disasters

6 months ago



Netherworld Tennis Club

6 months ago

32. Which sustainability programs/actions would you be in favor of the City adopting?
(Select all that apply)

66%	Increasing tree plantings by Shade Tree Commission	38 ✓
50%	Making energy efficiency upgrades to all its municipal buildings	29 ✓
48%	Providing local incentives for businesses that "go green"	28 ✓
43%	Creating a Sustainable Jersey (www.sustainablejersey.com) Green Team and achieve certification	25 ✓
43%	Requiring new developments to use green building techniques (i.e. Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design - LEED)	25 ✓
31%	Conducting a Greenhouse Gas (GHG) inventory for City operations	18 ✓
28%	Purchasing electric and/or fuel-efficient vehicles	16 ✓
24%	Installing electric vehicle charging stations	14 ✓
3%	Other. Please comment below.	2 ✓



Green is terrific, just do not raise my taxes to do it

20 days ago 1 Agree



Environmental Commission established that can help educate the public about environmental issues like garbage and litter in waterways and catch basins, dust pollution from overused athletic fields, smoke pollution from illegal burning, oil pollution like dumping motor oil in catch basins, light pollution - new residents installing outside light that is beyond code specifications, etc. Green is good, but you have to educate the public first to the benefits of being kind to the environment.

5 months ago 1 Agree



resilient design needs to be understood and implemented - [resilientdesign.org/the-resilient-design-principles/](https://www.resilientdesign.org/the-resilient-design-principles/)

6 months ago 1 Agree



resilience needs to become a priority in new developments and in general - <https://www.resilientdesign.org/the-resilient-design-principles/>

6 months ago 1 Agree



Incentives for homeowners.

2 months ago



Set up an Environmental Commission to focus on these issues and also use the Tree Commission to educate and encourage private property tree care and planting

5 months ago



While I am a huge advocate of sustainability in my day to day life, I think that Plainfield has MUCH bigger issues to tackle in the development of a robust masterplan. All monies should be allocated to improving overall current quality of life in town.

6 months ago

33. In the last month, have you been to the following at least once? **(Select all that apply)**

57%	City Hall	29 ✓
49%	Plainfield Senior Citizen/Veterans Center	25 ✓
47%	City of Plainfield Public Library	24 ✓
20%	Police Division/Municipal Court	10 ✓
14%	City Hall Annex	7 ✓
14%	Plainfield City Orchestra	7 ✓
8%	Other. Please comment below.	4 ✓
6%	Plainfield Environmental Resources Center (95 Rock Ave)	3 ✓
6%	South 2nd Street Youth Center	3 ✓
6%	Drake House	3 ✓
2%	Neighborhood House	1 ✓



None

11 days ago



None

20 days ago



None

23 days ago



Park Ave cultural center (old much)

2 months ago



Social services

2 months ago



None

3 months ago



du Cret School of Arts for events and Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church for events, Veterans Memorial,

5 months ago



None.

5 months ago



Netherworld Tennis 3 forty five minute tennis clinics on Monday and Friday for Cook Elementary school 4th and 5th grade students as a substitute for PE classes.

6 months ago

34. How would you rate the service you receive from the following facilities? **(Choose one option per row)**

	Excellent	Good	Neutral/No opinion	Fair	Poor
City Hall	21% Excellent	32% Good	32% Neutral/No opinion	11% Fair	5% Poor
City Hall Annex	12% Excellent	19% Good	59% Neutral/No opinion	7% Fair	3% Poor
Plainfield Environmental Resource Center	8% Excellent	13% Good	67% Neutral/No opinion	8% Fair	4% Poor
City of Plainfield Public Library	26% Excellent	23% Good	35% Neutral/No opinion	12% Fair	4% Poor
Neighborhood House	6% Excellent	4% Good	81% Neutral/No opinion	2% Fair	8% Poor
South 2nd Street Youth Center	4% Excellent	6% Good	81% Neutral/No opinion	4% Fair	6% Poor
Plainfield Senior Citizen/Veterans Center	38% Excellent	24% Good	35% Neutral/No opinion	4% Fair	- Poor
Police Division/Municipal Court	17% Excellent	19% Good	53% Neutral/No opinion	8% Fair	4% Poor
Drake House	11% Excellent	15% Good	70% Neutral/No opinion	4% Fair	- Poor
Plainfield City Orchestra	13% Excellent	15% Good	66% Neutral/No opinion	6% Fair	- Poor
63 respondents					

35. Are there any City services or facilities that are not available now you would like to see offered?



code enforcement, litter removal and street cleaning, street paving

5 months ago

2 Agree



More street and park cleaning

5 months ago

1 Agree



Code enforcement enhancements are needed...

6 months ago

1 Agree



improve code enforcement - compel or aide homeowners who neglect private property

6 months ago

1 Agree



More community activities

11 days ago



Community center with a fitness center and indoor/outdoor pool

11 days ago



Preforming Art & Vocational School

12 days ago



After school program

15 days ago



After School Program for the Arts and Music.

15 days ago



In house planning and zoning division

16 days ago



Rec center / boys & girls club

22 days ago



Facilities for the kids.

23 days ago



hospital

2 months ago



More help for people in the street.

2 months ago



Affordable housing and help for sick and mentally ill

2 months ago



A banquet hall

2 months ago



Transfer from bus-train service (vice versa)

2 months ago



A boys and girls club

3 months ago



more facilities fir the kids

4 months ago



I would like a park ranger to help with the wildlife. When a wild animal poses a danger to the community, a ranger could tranquilize and transport the animal.

5 months ago



We have the best Fire Department, and I would like more reminds to areas residents of their fire prevention responsibilities. Too many people, where I live, have cars parked too close to houses, barbecues on decks and too close to house, unattended fire pits and illegal burning. Fire Department is not at fault - it is a lack of education. Also, Barbecue fires in Green Brook Park are left unattended and burning, Brook Par

5 months ago



Code enforcement

5 months ago



Entertainment, Indoor sports facility for all ages.

5 months ago



Public Swim Time

5 months ago



More street cleaning, hump bumps, repairs of curbs and street paving for one block areas.

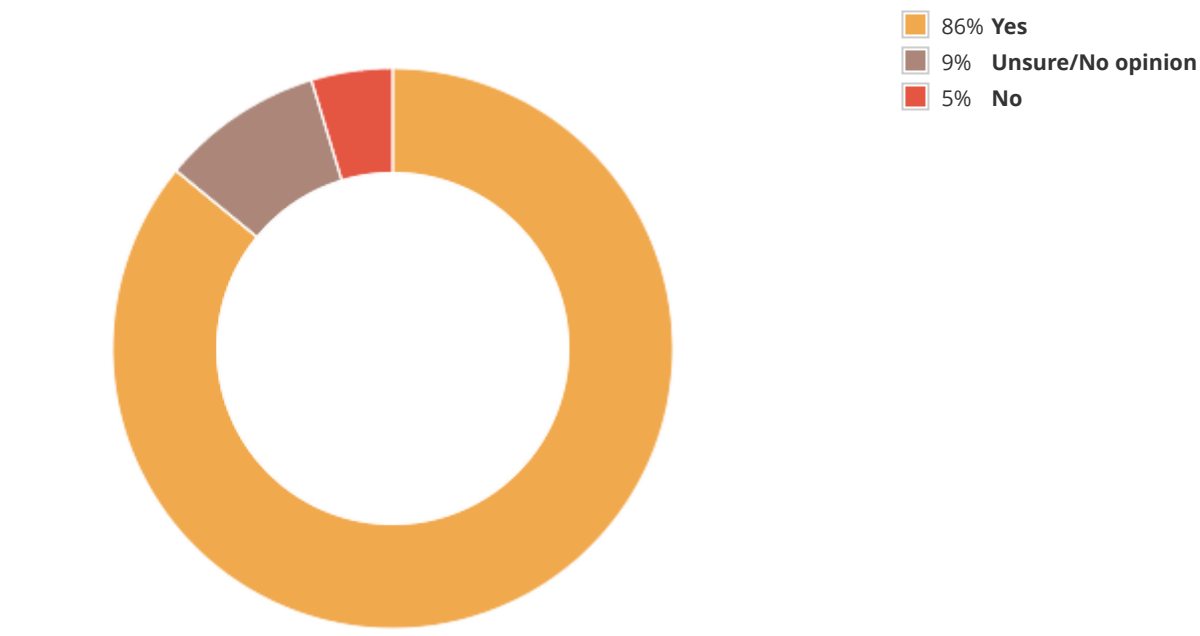
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Entertainment, theater, Strand Theater

6 months ago

36. Do you believe Historic Preservation is a worthwhile goal for the City? **Please comment below as to why you feel that way.**



64 respondents



There are many historic homes in Plainfield that are at risk and that should be incorporated into existing or new Historic Districts. These homes are strategically important to the appearance and feel of the City and its development into the future. They are attracting many of the buyers from adjacent or near communities because of the value and community attributes they offer.

7 months ago 👍 2 Agree



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7 months ago 👍 2 Agree



This ia an area that Plainfield has that most other local communities do not have, and enhance neighborhoods and makes the City more liveable. These neighbor groups help each other and create a community spirit unmatched by no other community.

5 months ago 👍 1 Agree



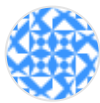
It's the most positive thing in the city

5 months ago 👍 1 Agree



it is our only virtue

6 months ago 👍 1 Agree



Plainfield has a rich history and many neglected historical buildings. Restoration and preservation would attract more business.

6 months ago 👍 1 Agree



That area gets all the attention in road improvements, etc.

11 days ago



It preserves the towns personality

20 days ago



Crucial to city character

5 months ago



Remarkable architectural diversity should be preserved.

6 months ago

37. Are there buildings or neighborhoods which you think should be considered for designation as a Historic Property or District?



Myrtle Avenue near Green Brook Park was the site of a Revolutionary War Encampment. The YMCA and YWCA need help and should not be considered to be demolished. The cemetery on Plainfield Avenue should be designated. Fitz Randolph House on Randolph Road. All the old fire houses that are in existence (East 4th and West 4th). The old South Second St. Youth Center where P-Funk practiced. The Mack Building on West Front St. The old Police Station on 4th and Cleveland. Some of the old downtown buildings.

5 months ago

1 Agree



all prewar neighborhoods and properties should be included

6 months ago

1 Agree



Historic buildings downtown. The YMCA.

6 months ago

1 Agree



Most of the feeder Road into Hillside Ave (Highland, Prospect, Evergreen, Martine, Putnam and Sunnyside Place

7 months ago

1 Agree



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7 months ago

1 Agree



YMCA

2 months ago



Cook school

2 months ago



Where muhlenberg hospital was.

2 months ago



The plainfield train station area

4 months ago



All buildings built before the 1940's should be designated as historic. It's a pity the Muhlenberg freestanding operating room was demolished after years of holding onto it.

5 months ago



Hillside Crescent, Brisbane Estates, Sleepy Hollow

5 months ago



Upper Martine Avenue

6 months ago



Areas around Hillside Ave., SleepHollow, W. side of town around W. 7th

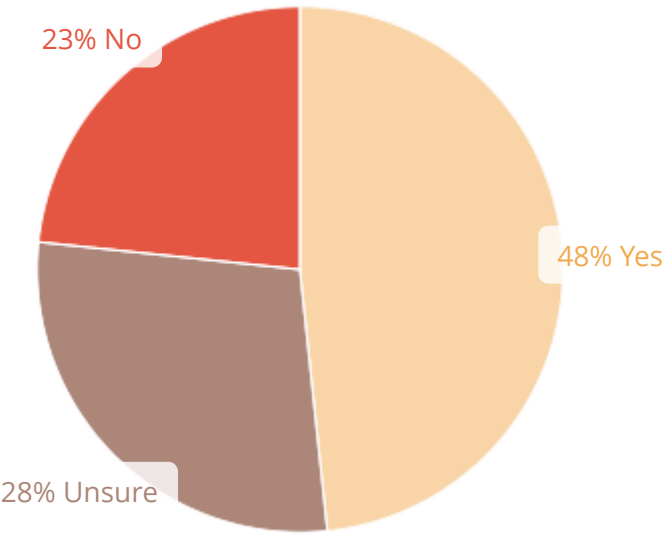
6 months ago



No

6 months ago

38. Would you support designation of your property as historic if it met the criteria to be considered as such?



60 respondents

Provide any comment or information that you think would be useful to the development of the new Master Plan.



I think the plans has some potential and a lot of people had great points and vilid concerns ,as in everything some people will be agree with it and some people will disagree, but whatever direction the city decide travel in one thing is for sure and that is we can't continue watch more and more revenue leave the city.

12 days ago



The result from the 2009 Plainfield vision study must be incorporated into the master plan

16 days ago



Keep tax base in mind. Taxes are out of line.

20 days ago



There are so many dilapidated homes in Plainfield. Seniors need assistance on applying for grants/loans to update their residence since seniors want to stay in their homes.

2 months ago



affordable housing and rent control

2 months ago



TAKE CARE OF VETERANS

2 months ago



Dumping and littering are a serious problem around town. We need signage, childhood education about littering and enforcement as well as dedicated cleaning crews to get a handle on this problem which is both aesthetic and environmental.

5 months ago



The Green Brook should be recognized as a natural and scenic resource of the city. Future developments in downtown Plainfield should take the Brook into consideration and possibly orient toward it with patios, outdoor dining, etc, rather than the current fencing off and trashing it. The series of little bridges linking to North Plainfield over the Green Brook are scenic and should be kept cleaner and embellished with flower planters. Litter should be discouraged with well- placed trash receptacles . In the 1800's there was a pond downtown. Now a a good time to return to enjoying the Brook, not ignoring it. Think how nice the Rahway River looks in Downtown Cranford.

5 months ago



Stop over developing this quiet area of Netherwood/South Ave

5 months ago



In general, I believe that one of the biggest challenges with developing a masterplan for Plainfield is just the sheer scale of the city and the number of issues that really need to be addressed. Instead of sprinkling resources across a myriad of issues/needs, I would recommend an intense review of priorities, identifying the lowest hanging fruit opportunities that will have the most impact to the largest population of residences. Fewer but better comprehensive and attainable master plan goals should be put to action.

6 months ago



there is much distrust due to a lack of transparency regarding proposed major developments - community input for specific actual developments is not actively sought - and when residents have serious concerns they are ignored

6 months ago