

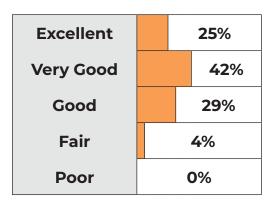
Public Visioning
Session Responses

# What positive activities already happening in your community would you like to see more of?

- Increase events
- Community activities that bring people into our county
- Increase events
- Like to see more involved
- Revamp of restaurants and community activities. Would like to see more
  events such as community concert series and live events to get people out
  and active.
- · Biking, hiking, kayaking...manufacturing
- Homes are selling
- cooperation and collaboration on economic development opportunities
- Events downtown (farmers markets, food truck fairs, wine walks, etc)
- Growth of more small innovative companies
- Agree with Mike. Elk County should also consider bringing more young adults into the planning of community events. Examples include a needed refresh of annual events like memorial celebration, fireworks, Light up night.
- I'm in!
- Community events
- Regional events are great versus single county events work better!
- Alot of outdoor activities such as ATV trails going in and local campgrounds opening or reopening. New economic development, for example new restaurants and reopening of local establishments.
- Parks with planned activities, pool, coffee shop, movie theater and boys club...places that develop sense of community
- Access to tech centers and college
- Events
- Business Expansion
- Family and community. Groundhog Day huge

- Events
- Community events
- Community Days. Homecoming events. Main Street facade improvements.
- The continued expanding of events.
- New business
- Contributions from talented community members....music, food, technology, and hospitality
- Resurrection of our majestic older buildings. Love the new businesses investing in our community
- Businesses starting up and thriving, amphitheater events, artistic entrepreneurs.
- Community events
- The county putting in more broadband. Way to go commissioners
- Local activities that involve families. More family involvement
- Increased Housing Options
- I would like to see more business opportunities

# Prior to COVID, the overall quality of life in this community could be characterized as:



## Since COVID, the overall quality of life of the people living in this community has:



#### If you could wave a wand and get anything for your community that you wanted, what would it be?

- Rework somethings to make it more attractive for people to take pride in
- Repaved roads
- Major visual improvement, critical infrastructure, bring a few major events back ,for community involvement
- Would create additional parks and public activity centers. Activities people can get involved in throughout winter. (Mid range concerts)
- Code enforcement officer, new restaurants, gated community, people that want to work
- eliminate addiction, grow local opportunities- economic cultural housing education
- I'll go back to ATV trails, outdoor AND indoor recreation and updated infrastructure.
- the ability to gather a large group who will work together for the greater good and future of our county as a whole
- Employment opportunities for our graduates to help keep our most valuable resources in our community
- Warmer winters:)
- Better higher-paying job opportunities are much needed in this area that would keep our children close by

## If the largest employer in your town left, would your community survive?



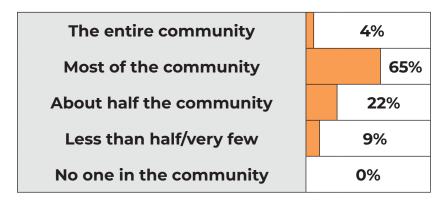
### If you don't have a car, how easy is it to get where you need to go?

Easy	0%			
Moderate	0%			
Somewhat difficult		29%		
Difficult			<b>71</b> %	

# Do the streets of this community have sufficient sewers and drains to handle excess water and prevent flooding when it rains?



#### What part of the community has access to public Internet services?



#### In the last three years, the roads leading to this community have:



#### If you were given \$100 million dollars to spend on your community, what would you do?

- Replace all I for structural
- YMCA/recreation
- Sidewalks, roads, property investments, water, sewage, advertising, hotel, outfitters
- Redo old Sylvania building into loft apartments, new sidewalks, streets.
   Restaurants, indoor pool
- Invest in advanced manufacturing (more technical, sustainable industries).
   Rebuild community centers and re-invest in the community
- Buy and demolish every blighted property

- · invest in education, entrepreneurship community infrastructure
- Investing in innovative businesses
- Bike trails connecting the communities and neighborhoods, more public spaces.
- Work With our schools to plan for green job opportunities....revamp industrial/shop classes to prepare for emerging technologies.
- I would prioritize housing for middle income, update or refurbish our community assets,
- We need to retain our young people so we need modern housing and entertainment to keep them here.
- Updated infrastructure and community recreation for all ages.
- New Borough Office, Police Station, Library.
- Downtown facade upgrade is good and improved transportation, possible public transportation improvement.
- Convention center
- Secondary education
- Raze/ revitalize dilapidated buildings
- Sports complex, hotel/ event center and raze dilapidated buildings owned by absentee property owners
- Create incubator accelerator, build housing developments, create business competitions
- Create activity centers for kids to keep off streets.
- Investing in businesses.

#### Do individuals have access to post-secondary education?

All individuals have access	11%		
Some individuals with means have access			89%
No individuals have access		0%	
Unsure		0%	

#### Do you, or someone you know, work remotely?



#### Have you, or someone you know, struggled to find appropriate housing in the region?



#### Historically, what are the major challenges related to housing in the region?

- Housing is currently at an unattainable price for a number of individuals.
   Limited properties on the market.
- Not enough, few individuals buying up and becoming slum lords.
- Too old

- Not enough, unaffordable
- Too old
- Not enough
- need rentals for young adults and retiring seniors who don't want the upkeeo
- The affordable houses needs too much work done to them and the nicer homes are too expensive for many young adults
- Housing prices too high and reasonably priced ones have too much work that would need done to the house.
- Not enough entry level priced housing
- Too Old
- Not enough. Old.

# If a friend was visiting from out of town, what's the ONE thing you'd take them to see or experience in your area?

- · Kayak at Sinnemahoning, Rich Valley Wines, west creek trail
- See the Top of the World, kayak, hike, bike, eat, see elk
- Drive or ride the Ridge Road
- Elk/Brewery
- Benezette, Straubs tap room
- See the elk
- elk center state parks
- The elk
- Pittsburgh
- elk visitor center, but also kayaking, hiking, biking. outdoor activities!
- The Elk Visitors Center and also Straub Brewery
- Elk Viewing Center
- Kinzua Bridge and Straub brewery
- Clear creek state park, fishing streams, wineries, Cook Forest

- Punxsy Phil and Gobblers Knob
- Treasure Lake. Kinzua. Trail syatem
- Kinzua dam
- Kinzua bridge
- ANF