

Bethlehem Township, PA

Technical Appendices

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Appendix A: Complete Survey Responses

Responses excluding "don't know"

The following pages contain a complete set of responses to each question on the survey, excluding the "don't know" responses. The percent of respondents giving a particular response is shown followed by the number of respondents (denoted with "N=").

Table 1: Question 1

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Bethlehem Township:	Exc	Excellent		Good		Fair		oor	Total	
Bethlehem Township as a place to live	37%	N=182	56%	N=273	6%	N=27	1%	N=6	100%	N=488
Your neighborhood as a place to live	39%	N=187	53%	N=259	6%	N=28	3%	N=12	100%	N=486
Bethlehem Township as a place to raise children	37%	N=163	54%	N=236	8%	N=35	1%	N=5	100%	N=439
Bethlehem Township as a place to work	24%	N=74	43%	N=133	25%	N=79	8%	N=25	100%	N=312
Bethlehem Township as a place to visit	20%	N=90	46%	N=208	29%	N=128	5%	N=23	100%	N=449
Bethlehem Township as a place to retire	26%	N=105	47%	N=187	20%	N=78	8%	N=31	100%	N=401
The overall quality of life in Bethlehem Township	31%	N=150	58%	N=284	9%	N=46	1%	N=7	100%	N=486

Table 2: Question 2

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Bethlehem Township as a whole:	Exc	ellent	G	ood	Fair		Poor		To	otal
Overall feeling of safety in Bethlehem Township	30%	N=144	60%	N=292	7%	N=36	3%	N=15	100%	N=486
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	28%	N=137	43%	N=209	24%	N=119	4%	N=22	100%	N=487
Quality of overall natural environment in Bethlehem Township	20%	N=95	54%	N=262	21%	N=102	5%	N=23	100%	N=482
Overall "built environment" of Bethlehem Township (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	18%	N=85	45%	N=218	29%	N=141	7%	N=36	100%	N=479
Health and wellness opportunities in Bethlehem Township	27%	N=127	56%	N=261	15%	N=69	2%	N=11	100%	N=467
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	25%	N=114	55%	N=248	17%	N=75	3%	N=13	100%	N=450
Overall economic health of Bethlehem Township	17%	N=72	58%	N=251	22%	N=93	3%	N=13	100%	N=429
Sense of community	13%	N=59	47%	N=220	33%	N=155	7%	N=33	100%	N=468
Overall image or reputation of Bethlehem Township	20%	N=95	64%	N=308	14%	N=68	2%	N=10	100%	N=480

Table 3: Question 3

Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following:	Ver	Very likely Somewhat likely S		Somew	hat unlikely	Very	unlikely	To	otal	
Recommend living in Bethlehem Township to someone who asks	57%	N=274	36%	N=173	5%	N=22	3%	N=12	100%	N=481
Remain in Bethlehem Township for the next five years	66%	N=311	25%	N=119	3%	N=16	5%	N=24	100%	N=470

Table 4: Question 4

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	you feel: Very safe Sc		Some	ewhat safe Neither safe nor unsafe		t safe Neither safe nor unsafe		nat unsafe	Very	unsafe	To	otal		
In your neighborhood during the day	72%	N=351	22%	N=109	4%	4% N=19		N=5	0%	N=1	100%	N=486		
In Bethlehem Township's downtown/commercial area during the day	54%	N=238	41%	N=179	4% N=18		4% N=18		1%	N=3	0%	N=2	100%	N=440

Table 5: Question 5

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Bethlehem Township as a whole:	Exc	ellent	Good		Fair		Poor		Total	
Traffic flow on major streets	5%	N=25	34%	N=163	37%	N=176	24%	N=116	100%	N=479
Ease of travel by car in Bethlehem Township	12%	N=56	47%	N=225	31%	N=150	10%	N=50	100%	N=481
Ease of travel by public transportation in Bethlehem Township	10%	N=20	31%	N=58	34%	N=65	25%	N=47	100%	N=191
Ease of travel by bicycle in Bethlehem Township	9%	N=25	29%	N=78	32%	N=88	30%	N=83	100%	N=274
Ease of walking in Bethlehem Township	11%	N=47	35%	N=156	35%	N=154	19%	N=85	100%	N=442
Availability of paths and walking trails	19%	N=85	34%	N=151	30%	N=132	17%	N=75	100%	N=443
Air quality	16%	N=77	59%	N=278	21%	N=101	3%	N=13	100%	N=469
Cleanliness of Bethlehem Township	23%	N=114	60%	N=293	15%	N=74	1%	N=7	100%	N=488
Overall appearance of Bethlehem Township	24%	N=118	58%	N=283	16%	N=77	1%	N=5	100%	N=483
Public places where people want to spend time	14%	N=62	50%	N=222	29%	N=128	7%	N=33	100%	N=446
Variety of housing options	15%	N=65	59%	N=256	22%	N=97	4%	N=19	100%	N=437
Availability of affordable quality housing	12%	N=47	51%	N=206	29%	N=117	9%	N=35	100%	N=405
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.)	27%	N=121	50%	N=224	21%	N=94	2%	N=11	100%	N=450
Recreational opportunities	22%	N=102	45%	N=206	27%	N=124	5%	N=25	100%	N=456
Availability of affordable quality food	24%	N=115	56%	N=268	17%	N=83	3%	N=15	100%	N=481
Availability of affordable quality health care	31%	N=141	47%	N=215	17%	N=77	5%	N=23	100%	N=455
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	22%	N=49	45%	N=101	27%	N=61	6%	N=12	100%	N=223

Table 6: Question 6

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Bethlehem Township as a who	ole: Exc	ellent	G	Good	I	air	Po	oor	To	otal
Availability of affordable quality child care/preschool	18%	N=39	47%	N=100	28%	N=59	7%	N=15	100%	N=213
K-12 education	23%	N=81	55%	N=189	17%	N=58	5%	N=17	100%	N=345
Adult educational opportunities	25%	N=89	56%	N=205	18%	N=64	2%	N=5	100%	N=364
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	21%	N=84	39%	N=160	30%	N=123	10%	N=40	100%	N=407
Opportunities to participate in religious or spiritual events and activities	22%	N=85	57%	N=219	19%	N=71	2%	N=6	100%	N=382
Employment opportunities	8%	N=24	41%	N=127	36%	N=110	16%	N=48	100%	N=309
Shopping opportunities	19%	N=89	46%	N=220	29%	N=136	6%	N=28	100%	N=473
Cost of living in Bethlehem Township	6%	N=28	46%	N=215	38%	N=174	10%	N=46	100%	N=463
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Bethlehem Township	11%	N=51	60%	N=281	27%	N=128	2%	N=11	100%	N=471
Overall quality of new development in Bethlehem Township	10%	N=43	50%	N=210	30%	N=126	9%	N=39	100%	N=418
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	12%	N=47	42%	N=174	37%	N=150	9%	N=38	100%	N=409
Opportunities to volunteer	16%	N=53	52%	N=172	27%	N=90	6%	N=20	100%	N=334
Opportunities to participate in community matters	13%	N=48	45%	N=161	33%	N=117	8%	N=28	100%	N=355
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	15%	N=59	49%	N=185	29%	N=109	7%	N=27	100%	N=379
Neighborliness of residents in Bethlehem Township	15%	N=72	47%	N=221	29%	N=136	9%	N=43	100%	N=473

Table 7: Question 7

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.		No	,	Yes	To	otal
Made efforts to conserve water	21%	N=100	79%	N=385	100%	N=485
Made efforts to make your home more energy efficient	20%	N=96	80%	N=387	100%	N=484
Observed a code violation or other hazard in Bethlehem Township (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	67%	N=318	33%	N=154	100%	N=473
Household member was a victim of a crime in Bethlehem Township	93%	N=449	7%	N=33	100%	N=482
Reported a crime to the police in Bethlehem Township	85%	N=412	15%	N=71	100%	N=483
Stocked supplies in preparation for an emergency	58%	N=280	42%	N=204	100%	N=484
Campaigned or advocated for an issue, cause or candidate	80%	N=384	20%	N=95	100%	N=479
Contacted the Township of Bethlehem (in-person, phone, email or web) for help or information	54%	N=261	46%	N=221	100%	N=482
Contacted Bethlehem Township elected officials (in-person, phone, email or web) to express your opinion	86%	N=414	14%	N=65	100%	N=479

Table 8: Question 8

In the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household	2 times a week or 2-4 times		times a	Once a	month or					
members done each of the following in Bethlehem Township?	n	nore	m	onth	I	ess	Not	at all	To	otal
Used Bethlehem Township recreation centers or their services	21%	N=102	13%	N=63	27%	N=130	39%	N=192	100%	N=486
Visited a neighborhood park or Township park	16%	N=78	27%	N=131	32%	N=154	25%	N=123	100%	N=486
Participated in religious or spiritual activities in Bethlehem Township	7%	N=34	15%	N=74	15%	N=74	62%	N=296	100%	N=478
Attended a Township-sponsored event	2%	N=9	3%	N=13	23%	N=112	72%	N=351	100%	N=485
Used public transportation instead of driving	1%	N=5	1%	N=7	3%	N=16	94%	N=458	100%	N=485
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	7%	N=36	12%	N=60	16%	N=75	65%	N=313	100%	N=484
Walked or biked instead of driving	9%	N=42	11%	N=54	20%	N=99	60%	N=288	100%	N=483
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Bethlehem Township	7%	N=35	9%	N=44	11%	N=52	73%	N=351	100%	N=483
Participated in a club	4%	N=21	7%	N=34	7%	N=34	82%	N=395	100%	N=484
Talked to or visited with your immediate neighbors	36%	N=174	39%	N=187	20%	N=97	5%	N=22	100%	N=480
Done a favor for a neighbor	20%	N=96	23%	N=113	45%	N=219	12%	N=57	100%	N=485

Table 9: Question 9

Table 7. Question 7										
Thinking about local public meetings (of local elected officials like Township Council or County										
Commissioners, advisory boards, town halls, HOA, neighborhood watch, etc.), in the last 12										
months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members attended or	2 time	es a week	2-4	times a	Once	a month				
watched a local public meeting?	or	or more		ore month		less	Not	t at all	To	otal
Attended a local public meeting	1%	N=3	1%	N=3	15%	N=73	84%	N=402	100%	N=482
Read the agenda or minutes online or on television	3%	N=12	5%	N=25	26%	N=127	66%	N=317	100%	N=482

Table 10: Question 10

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Bethlehem Township:	Exc	ellent	G	ood	F	Fair		Poor		otal
Police services	44%	N=194	46%	N=205	5%	N=24	5%	N=22	100%	N=445
Fire services	51%	N=205	45%	N=182	3%	N=14	0%	N=2	100%	N=403
Ambulance or emergency medical services	51%	N=195	44%	N=166	4%	N=13	1%	N=4	100%	N=380
Crime prevention	28%	N=106	54%	N=205	12%	N=46	6%	N=23	100%	N=380
Fire prevention and education	28%	N=94	54%	N=185	14%	N=48	4%	N=13	100%	N=340
Traffic enforcement	21%	N=88	46%	N=196	21%	N=91	12%	N=52	100%	N=427
Street repair	10%	N=46	35%	N=163	36%	N=165	20%	N=91	100%	N=464
Street cleaning	15%	N=71	46%	N=216	26%	N=125	13%	N=61	100%	N=473
Street lighting	8%	N=36	39%	N=188	34%	N=162	19%	N=90	100%	N=476
Snow removal	12%	N=55	42%	N=200	28%	N=135	18%	N=85	100%	N=475
Traffic signal timing	10%	N=44	43%	N=197	33%	N=149	14%	N=66	100%	N=456
Bus or transit services	20%	N=33	40%	N=69	26%	N=45	14%	N=24	100%	N=170
Recycling	32%	N=138	46%	N=198	18%	N=78	4%	N=16	100%	N=430
Storm drainage	15%	N=65	46%	N=197	24%	N=102	16%	N=67	100%	N=431
Sewer services	22%	N=94	58%	N=250	14%	N=62	6%	N=24	100%	N=430
Sewer utility billing	16%	N=69	48%	N=210	28%	N=122	8%	N=35	100%	N=436
Township parks	32%	N=139	52%	N=227	15%	N=65	1%	N=5	100%	N=437
Recreation programs or classes	30%	N=101	47%	N=159	20%	N=66	3%	N=11	100%	N=336
Land use, planning and zoning	11%	N=38	34%	N=118	37%	N=128	17%	N=58	100%	N=342
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	11%	N=39	45%	N=153	29%	N=97	14%	N=49	100%	N=338
Animal control	19%	N=60	47%	N=148	25%	N=80	9%	N=29	100%	N=318
Economic development	13%	N=44	49%	N=165	29%	N=98	9%	N=30	100%	N=336
Health services	28%	N=107	58%	N=227	12%	N=45	2%	N=8	100%	N=387
Public library services	31%	N=105	47%	N=156	13%	N=44	9%	N=30	100%	N=335
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for natural disasters or other										
emergency situations)	17%	N=46	42%	N=114	27%	N=73	15%	N=40	100%	N=272
Preservation of natural areas such as open space, farmlands and greenbelts	13%	N=49	33%	N=124	31%	N=116	23%	N=89	100%	N=378
Township-sponsored special events	12%	N=33	51%	N=146	28%	N=82	10%	N=28	100%	N=289
Overall customer service by Bethlehem Township employees (police, receptionists, planners, etc.)	24%	N=99	53%	N=217	18%	N=73	5%	N=20	100%	N=409
Leaf collection	20%	N=85	49%	N=211	23%	N=99	8%	N=36	100%	N=431
Bethlehem Township Community Center	35%	N=136	49%	N=187	13%	N=49	3%	N=13	100%	N=384
Communication from the Township	16%	N=68	47%	N=207	26%	N=113	11%	N=48	100%	N=437
Recycling center	27%	N=103	51%	N=196	14%	N=54	8%	N=30	100%	N=383

Table 11: Question 11

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?	Exc	Excellent		Good		air	P	oor	To	otal
The Township of Bethlehem Township	20%	N=88	61%	N=267	17%	N=75	2%	N=9	100%	N=439
The Federal Government	9%	N=33	34%	N=129	38%	N=144	18%	N=68	100%	N=374
The County of Northampton	10%	N=39	48%	N=180	31%	N=118	10%	N=38	100%	N=375
The State of Pennsylvania	9%	N=34	40%	N=153	34%	N=130	18%	N=68	100%	N=385

Table 12: Question 12

Please rate the following categories of Bethlehem Township government performance:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		To	otal
The value of services for the taxes paid to Bethlehem Township	6%	N=25	47%	N=210	34%	N=152	13%	N=59	100%	N=446
The overall direction that Bethlehem Township is taking	5%	N=23	50%	N=214	34%	N=144	11%	N=48	100%	N=429
The job Bethlehem Township government does at welcoming citizen involvement	8%	N=26	38%	N=129	34%	N=115	21%	N=71	100%	N=341
Overall confidence in Bethlehem Township government	8%	N=33	47%	N=199	32%	N=136	12%	N=51	100%	N=419
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	11%	N=46	45%	N=186	30%	N=123	13%	N=55	100%	N=410
Being honest	11%	N=38	47%	N=168	32%	N=116	11%	N=38	100%	N=360
Treating all residents fairly	12%	N=45	45%	N=167	30%	N=112	12%	N=43	100%	N=367

Table 13: Question 13

Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Bethlehem Township community to focus on each of the following in the coming two years:	Essential		Very important			Somewhat important		at all ortant		
Overall feeling of safety in Bethlehem Township	60%	N=291	34%	N=163	5%	N=22	2%	N=10	100%	N=486
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	33%	N=161	51%	N=246	15%	N=71	2%	N=8	100%	N=486
Quality of overall natural environment in Bethlehem Township	31%	N=151	50%	N=243	17%	N=80	2%	N=9	100%	N=483
Overall "built environment" of Bethlehem Township (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	26%	N=127	50%	N=241	22%	N=105	2%	N=11	100%	N=483
Health and wellness opportunities in Bethlehem Township	28%	N=133	44%	N=212	26%	N=125	2%	N=11	100%	N=482
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	31%	N=147	41%	N=195	25%	N=122	4%	N=17	100%	N=481
Overall economic health of Bethlehem Township	45%	N=218	45%	N=218	9%	N=42	1%	N=5	100%	N=482
Sense of community	28%	N=133	48%	N=233	22%	N=106	2%	N=11	100%	N=483

Table 14: Question 14

In the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household	2 times a week or		2-4 t	imes a	nes a Once a month or					
members used each of the following?	more		mo	month		less		Not at all		otal
The Bethlehem Area Public Library building	4%	N=21	13%	N=61	22%	N=107	61%	N=298	100%	N=488
The Bethlehem Area Public Library e-book/audiobook service	3%	N=14	2%	N=12	8%	N=41	86%	N=419	100%	N=486
The Bethlehem Area Public Library bookmobile service	2%	N=11	3%	N=16	12%	N=59	82%	N=401	100%	N=488

Table 15: Question 15

Are you currently an active cardholder for the Bethlehem Area Public Library?	Percent	Number
Yes	46%	N=220
No	54%	N=257
Total	100%	N=476

Table 16: Question 16

The Bethlehem Area Public Library (BAPL), located in downtown Bethlehem City, offers traditional library services, as well as offsite services such as bookmobile and online lending of e-books and audio books. Bethlehem Township has an agreement with the BAPL to pay \$17.55 per person per year, which is an annual cost in		
Bethlehem Township tax dollars of \$416,462 per year. Should Bethlehem Township continue to pay \$416,462 per year to the Bethlehem Area Public Library?	Percent	Number
Yes	57%	N=271
No	43%	N=204
Total	100%	N=475

Table 17: Question 16a

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree that Bethlehem Township should consider establishing its own public library if the same services were provided		
for less than the amount paid to maintain membership in the Bethlehem Area Library:	Percent	Number
Strongly agree	36%	N=159
Somewhat agree	29%	N=127
Somewhat disagree	12%	N=54
Strongly disagree	23%	N=101
Total	100%	N=442

Table 18: Question 17

To what extent, if at all, are you worried personally about each of the following environmental	Extremely									
issues in Bethlehem Township?	wo	worried		Very worried		A little worried		worried	To	otal
Pollution of drinking water	26%	N=122	17%	N=81	25%	N=120	32%	N=154	100%	N=477
Contamination of rivers, lakes and reservoirs	26%	N=123	20%	N=96	29%	N=137	25%	N=119	100%	N=474
Loss of natural habitat for wildlife	27%	N=129	29%	N=137	28%	N=132	17%	N=83	100%	N=481
Air pollution	25%	N=120	22%	N=105	31%	N=150	22%	N=105	100%	N=479
Extinction of plant and animal species	22%	N=102	24%	N=115	26%	N=121	28%	N=134	100%	N=472
Suburban sprawl and loss of open spaces	32%	N=154	33%	N=158	24%	N=116	11%	N=53	100%	N=481
Flooding impacting your property	30%	N=142	13%	N=62	27%	N=129	30%	N=142	100%	N=475
Flooding impacting travel in Bethlehem Township	25%	N=122	25%	N=121	30%	N=145	19%	N=91	100%	N=478

Table 19: Question 18

Please rate how familiar you are, if at all, with the Janet Johnston Housenick & William D. Housenick Memorial Park in the Township of Bethlehem:	Percent	Number
Very familiar	11%	N=52
Somewhat familiar	21%	N=103
Not at all familiar	68%	N=330
Total	100%	N=485

Table 20: Question 19

Table 201 Question 17		
The Johnston Mansion was left to the Township and is in need of repair. Please indicate your level of support for restoring the mansion as a possible venue for event		
rentals, Township programs, etc.?	Percent	Number
Strongly support	22%	N=82
Somewhat support	55%	N=210
Somewhat oppose	12%	N=46
Strongly oppose	11%	N=42
Total	100%	N=381

Table 21: Question 20

Please indicate how likely, if at all, you and/or members of your household would be to participate in each of the			Somewhat					
following types of recreation programs?	Ver	Very likely		kely	Not at	all likely	To	otal
Preschool Programs	14%	N=66	8%	N=36	79%	N=378	100%	N=480
Youth Sports	25%	N=124	13%	N=61	62%	N=301	100%	N=486
Adult Sports	13%	N=61	38%	N=184	49%	N=238	100%	N=483
Educational Classes	18%	N=87	50%	N=238	32%	N=154	100%	N=479
Arts & Crafts	18%	N=88	40%	N=193	42%	N=206	100%	N=486
Family Activities & Special Events	29%	N=142	37%	N=179	34%	N=165	100%	N=486
Social Activities (dance, theater, music, etc.)	23%	N=114	47%	N=227	30%	N=144	100%	N=486
Lifetime Sports (golf, tennis, biking, etc.)	31%	N=150	36%	N=176	32%	N=157	100%	N=484
Outdoor Recreation	38%	N=185	41%	N=201	20%	N=99	100%	N=484
Youth After School Programs	17%	N=83	16%	N=79	67%	N=324	100%	N=486

Table 22: Question 21

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Please indicate how much of a source, if at all, you consider each of the following to be for obtaining information about the Township government and its activities, events and services:	Major source		Minor source		Not a	source	To	otal
Township newsletter (mail)	-		20%	N=95	7%	N=33	100%	N=483
Local newspaper (print)	27%	N=131	32%	N=152	41%	N=198	100%	N=482
Local newspaper (online)	28%	N=132	33%	N=158	39%	N=186	100%	N=476
Township blog	13%	N=60	22%	N=104	65%	N=310	100%	N=474
Township communications via social media (i.e. Facebook, Twitter or YouTube)	30%	N=144	25%	N=118	45%	N=217	100%	N=478
Township website (www.BethlehemTownship.org)	42%	N=198	36%	N=172	22%	N=105	100%	N=475
Word-of-mouth	30%	N=144	47%	N=224	23%	N=111	100%	N=479

Table 23: Question D1

How often, if at all, do you do each of the following, considering all of the times you could?	Never		Rarely		Sometimes		Usually		Always		To	otal
Recycle at home	1%	N=4	2%	N=8	6%	N=31	10%	N=50	81%	N=388	100%	N=481
Purchase goods or services from a business located in Bethlehem Township	0%	N=1	1%	N=3	24%	N=118	45%	N=214	30%	N=145	100%	N=480
Eat at least 5 portions of fruits and vegetables a day	2%	N=10	16%	N=76	33%	N=160	34%	N=163	15%	N=70	100%	N=479
Participate in moderate or vigorous physical activity	2%	N=11	14%	N=66	33%	N=159	31%	N=151	19%	N=93	100%	N=480
Read or watch local news (via television, paper, computer, etc.)	4%	N=18	7%	N=31	16%	N=77	32%	N=154	41%	N=199	100%	N=480
Vote in local elections	8%	N=37	4%	N=20	14%	N=68	27%	N=129	47%	N=226	100%	N=480

Table 24: Question D2

Would you say that in general your health is:	Percent	Number
Excellent	20%	N=96
Very good	50%	N=241
Good	24%	N=116
Fair	4%	N=19
Poor	2%	N=12
Total	100%	N=483

Table 25: Question D3

What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:	Percent	Number
Very positive	9%	N=42
Somewhat positive	29%	N=136
Neutral	47%	N=222
Somewhat negative	14%	N=64
Very negative	1%	N=5
Total	100%	N=468

Table 26: Question D4

What is your employment status?	Percent	Number
Working full time for pay	59%	N=283
Working part time for pay	10%	N=45
Unemployed, looking for paid work	2%	N=8
Unemployed, not looking for paid work	4%	N=20
Fully retired	26%	N=122
Total	100%	N=477

Table 27: Question D5

Do you work inside the boundaries of Bethlehem Township?	Percent	Number
Yes, outside the home	16%	N=74
Yes, from home	8%	N=38
No	76%	N=358
Total	100%	N=470

Table 28: Question D6

How many years have you lived in Bethlehem Township?	Percent	Number
Less than 2 years	10%	N=47
2 to 5 years	16%	N=77
6 to 10 years	9%	N=41
11 to 20 years	25%	N=120
More than 20 years	41%	N=198
Total	100%	N=483

Table 29: Question D7

Which best describes the building you live in?	Percent	Number
One family house detached from any other houses	78%	N=376
Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apartment or condominium)	21%	N=99
Mobile home	0%	N=0
Other	1%	N=5
Total	100%	N=481

Table 30: Question D8

Is this house, apartment or mobile home	Percent	Number
Rented	12%	N=58
Owned	88%	N=423
Total	100%	N=481

Table 31: Question D9

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About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?	Percent	Number
Less than \$300 per month	2%	N=8
\$300 to \$599 per month	8%	N=36
\$600 to \$999 per month	14%	N=63
\$1,000 to \$1,499 per month	24%	N=109
\$1,500 to \$2,499 per month	40%	N=180
\$2,500 or more per month	12%	N=55
Total	100%	N=450

Table 32: Question D10

Do any children 17 or under live in your household?	Percent	Number
No	66%	N=320
Yes	34%	N=161
Total	100%	N=481

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Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?	Percent	Number
No	68%	N=329
Yes	32%	N=153
Total	100%	N=482

Table 34: Question D12

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How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all		
persons living in your household.)	Percent	Number
Less than \$25,000	4%	N=19
\$25,000 to \$49,999	18%	N=79
\$50,000 to \$99,999	34%	N=152
\$100,000 to \$149,999	20%	N=90
\$150,000 or more	23%	N=102
Total	100%	N=442

Table 35: Question D13

Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?	Percent	Number
No, not Spanish, Hispanic or Latino	93%	N=443
Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic or Latino	7%	N=32
Total	100%	N=475

Table 36: Question D14

What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be.)	Percent	Number
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0%	N=2
Asian, Asian Indian or Pacific Islander	3%	N=14
Black or African American	2%	N=10
White	90%	N=425
Other	5%	N=26

Total may exceed 100% as respondents could select more than one option.

Table 37: Question D15

In which category is your age?	Percent	Number
18 to 24 years	2%	N=11
25 to 34 years	15%	N=74
35 to 44 years	14%	N=68
45 to 54 years	27%	N=128
55 to 64 years	15%	N=70
65 to 74 years	18%	N=87
75 years or older	9%	N=43
Total	100%	N=480

Table 38: Question D16

What is your sex?	Percent	Number
Female	53%	N=255
Male	47%	N=222
Total	100%	N=477

Table 39: Question D17

Do you consider a cell phone or landline your primary telephone number?	Percent	Number
Cell	57%	N=273
Land line	22%	N=106
Both	21%	N=101
Total	100%	N=480

Responses including "don't know"

The following pages contain a complete set of responses to each question on the survey, including the "don't know" responses. The percent of respondents giving a particular response is shown followed by the number of respondents (denoted with "N=").

Table 40: Question 1

Please rate each of the following aspects of quality of life in Bethlehem Township:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		To	otal
Bethlehem Township as a place to live	37%	N=182	56%	N=273	6%	N=27	1%	N=6	0%	N=0	100%	N=488
Your neighborhood as a place to live	39%	N=187	53%	N=259	6%	N=28	3%	N=12	0%	N=0	100%	N=486
Bethlehem Township as a place to raise children	34%	N=163	48%	N=236	7%	N=35	1%	N=5	10%	N=47	100%	N=486
Bethlehem Township as a place to work	15%	N=74	28%	N=133	16%	N=79	5%	N=25	36%	N=172	100%	N=483
Bethlehem Township as a place to visit	19%	N=90	43%	N=208	27%	N=128	5%	N=23	6%	N=31	100%	N=479
Bethlehem Township as a place to retire	22%	N=105	39%	N=187	16%	N=78	6%	N=31	17%	N=83	100%	N=484
The overall quality of life in Bethlehem Township	31%	N=150	58%	N=284	9%	N=46	1%	N=7	0%	N=1	100%	N=487

Table 41: Question 2

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Bethlehem Township as a whole:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		To	otal
Overall feeling of safety in Bethlehem Township	30%	N=144	60%	N=292	7%	N=36	3%	N=15	0%	N=1	100%	N=487
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	28%	N=137	43%	N=209	24%	N=119	4%	N=22	0%	N=0	100%	N=487
Quality of overall natural environment in Bethlehem Township	20%	N=95	54%	N=262	21%	N=102	5%	N=23	1%	N=3	100%	N=485
Overall "built environment" of Bethlehem Township (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems)	18%	N=85	45%	N=218	29%	N=141	7%	N=36	1%	N=4	100%	N=483
Health and wellness opportunities in Bethlehem Township	26%	N=127	54%	N=261	14%	N=69	2%	N=11	4%	N=20	100%	N=487
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	23%	N=114	51%	N=248	15%	N=75	3%	N=13	8%	N=37	100%	N=486
Overall economic health of Bethlehem Township	15%	N=72	52%	N=251	19%	N=93	3%	N=13	12%	N=57	100%	N=486
Sense of community	12%	N=59	46%	N=220	32%	N=155	7%	N=33	3%	N=16	100%	N=483
Overall image or reputation of Bethlehem Township	20%	N=95	63%	N=308	14%	N=68	2%	N=10	1%	N=6	100%	N=486

Table 42: Question 3

Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following:	Very likely		Somewhat likely		Somewl	nat unlikely	Very unlikely		Don't know		Total	
Recommend living in Bethlehem Township to someone who asks	56%	N=274	36%	N=173	5%	N=22	3%	N=12	1%	N=4	100%	N=485
Remain in Bethlehem Township for the next five years	64%	N=311	25%	N=119	3%	N=16	5%	N=24	2%	N=11	100%	N=482

Table 43: Question 4

Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:	Ver	y safe		newhat afe		Neither safe nor unsafe		Somewhat unsafe		Very unsafe		Don't know		otal
In your neighborhood during the day	72%	N=351	22%	N=109	4%	N=19	1%	N=5	0%	N=1	0%	N=2	100%	N=487
In Bethlehem Township's downtown/commercial area during the day	49%	N=238	37%	N=179	4%	N=18	1%	N=3	0%	N=2	9%	N=43	100%	N=483

Table 44: Question 5

Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Bethlehem Township as a whole:	Exc	Excellent		ood	Fair		Р	oor	Don't		To	otal
Traffic flow on major streets	5%	N=25	34%	N=163	37%	N=176	24%	N=116	0%	N=2	100%	N=482
Ease of travel by car in Bethlehem Township	12%	N=56	47%	N=225	31%	N=150	10%	N=50	0%	N=2	100%	N=483
Ease of travel by public transportation in Bethlehem Township	4%	N=20	12%	N=58	14%	N=65	10%	N=47	60%	N=291	100%	N=482
Ease of travel by bicycle in Bethlehem Township	5%	N=25	16%	N=78	18%	N=88	17%	N=83	43%	N=208	100%	N=482
Ease of walking in Bethlehem Township	10%	N=47	32%	N=156	32%	N=154	18%	N=85	9%	N=42	100%	N=485
Availability of paths and walking trails	18%	N=85	31%	N=151	27%	N=132	15%	N=75	8%	N=39	100%	N=481
Air quality	16%	N=77	57%	N=278	21%	N=101	3%	N=13	4%	N=20	100%	N=489
Cleanliness of Bethlehem Township	23%	N=114	60%	N=293	15%	N=74	1%	N=7	0%	N=1	100%	N=489
Overall appearance of Bethlehem Township	24%	N=118	58%	N=283	16%	N=77	1%	N=5	0%	N=2	100%	N=486
Public places where people want to spend time	13%	N=62	46%	N=222	26%	N=128	7%	N=33	8%	N=39	100%	N=484
Variety of housing options	13%	N=65	53%	N=256	20%	N=97	4%	N=19	10%	N=49	100%	N=487
Availability of affordable quality housing	10%	N=47	43%	N=206	24%	N=117	7%	N=35	16%	N=79	100%	N=484
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.)	25%	N=121	46%	N=224	19%	N=94	2%	N=11	8%	N=37	100%	N=487
Recreational opportunities	21%	N=102	43%	N=206	26%	N=124	5%	N=25	6%	N=27	100%	N=483
Availability of affordable quality food	24%	N=115	55%	N=268	17%	N=83	3%	N=15	2%	N=8	100%	N=488
Availability of affordable quality health care	29%	N=141	44%	N=215	16%	N=77	5%	N=23	6%	N=29	100%	N=484
Availability of affordable quality mental health care	10%	N=49	21%	N=101	13%	N=61	3%	N=12	54%	N=260	100%	N=483

Table 45: Question 6

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Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Bethlehem Township as a whole:	Excellent		Good		Fair		Poor		Don't know		To	otal
Availability of affordable quality child care/preschool	8%	N=39	21%	N=100	12%	N=59	3%	N=15	55%	N=263	100%	N=476
K-12 education	17%	N=81	40%	N=189	12%	N=58	3%	N=17	27%	N=130	100%	N=475
Adult educational opportunities	19%	N=89	43%	N=205	13%	N=64	1%	N=5	25%	N=119	100%	N=482
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	18%	N=84	34%	N=160	26%	N=123	8%	N=40	15%	N=69	100%	N=476
Opportunities to participate in religious or spiritual events and activities	18%	N=85	45%	N=219	15%	N=71	1%	N=6	21%	N=102	100%	N=484
Employment opportunities	5%	N=24	26%	N=127	23%	N=110	10%	N=48	35%	N=170	100%	N=479
Shopping opportunities	19%	N=89	46%	N=220	29%	N=136	6%	N=28	0%	N=2	100%	N=475
Cost of living in Bethlehem Township	6%	N=28	45%	N=215	37%	N=174	10%	N=46	2%	N=9	100%	N=472
Overall quality of business and service establishments in Bethlehem Township	11%	N=51	58%	N=281	27%	N=128	2%	N=11	2%	N=11	100%	N=483
Overall quality of new development in Bethlehem Township	9%	N=43	44%	N=210	27%	N=126	8%	N=39	12%	N=57	100%	N=476
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	10%	N=47	36%	N=174	31%	N=150	8%	N=38	15%	N=72	100%	N=482
Opportunities to volunteer	11%	N=53	36%	N=172	19%	N=90	4%	N=20	31%	N=147	100%	N=481
Opportunities to participate in community matters	10%	N=48	34%	N=161	25%	N=117	6%	N=28	26%	N=123	100%	N=478
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	12%	N=59	38%	N=185	22%	N=109	5%	N=27	22%	N=105	100%	N=484
Neighborliness of residents in Bethlehem Township	15%	N=72	45%	N=221	28%	N=136	9%	N=43	3%	N=13	100%	N=486

Table 46: Question 7

Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in the last 12 months.		No	,	Yes	To	otal
Made efforts to conserve water	21%	N=100	79%	N=385	100%	N=485
Made efforts to make your home more energy efficient	20%	N=96	80%	N=387	100%	N=484
Observed a code violation or other hazard in Bethlehem Township (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	67%	N=318	33%	N=154	100%	N=473
Household member was a victim of a crime in Bethlehem Township	93%	N=449	7%	N=33	100%	N=482
Reported a crime to the police in Bethlehem Township	85%	N=412	15%	N=71	100%	N=483
Stocked supplies in preparation for an emergency	58%	N=280	42%	N=204	100%	N=484
Campaigned or advocated for an issue, cause or candidate	80%	N=384	20%	N=95	100%	N=479
Contacted the Township of Bethlehem (in-person, phone, email or web) for help or information	54%	N=261	46%	N=221	100%	N=482
Contacted Bethlehem Township elected officials (in-person, phone, email or web) to express your opinion	86%	N=414	14%	N=65	100%	N=479

Table 47: Question 8

In the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household	2 times	a week or	2-4	times a	Once a	month or				
members done each of the following in Bethlehem Township?	more		m	onth	I	ess	Not	at all	To	otal
Used Bethlehem Township recreation centers or their services	21%	N=102	13%	N=63	27%	N=130	39%	N=192	100%	N=486
Visited a neighborhood park or Township park	16%	N=78	27%	N=131	32%	N=154	25%	N=123	100%	N=486
Participated in religious or spiritual activities in Bethlehem Township	7%	N=34	15%	N=74	15%	N=74	62%	N=296	100%	N=478
Attended a Township-sponsored event	2%	N=9	3%	N=13	23%	N=112	72%	N=351	100%	N=485
Used public transportation instead of driving	1%	N=5	1%	N=7	3%	N=16	94%	N=458	100%	N=485
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	7%	N=36	12%	N=60	16%	N=75	65%	N=313	100%	N=484
Walked or biked instead of driving	9%	N=42	11%	N=54	20%	N=99	60%	N=288	100%	N=483
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Bethlehem Township	7%	N=35	9%	N=44	11%	N=52	73%	N=351	100%	N=483
Participated in a club	4%	N=21	7%	N=34	7%	N=34	82%	N=395	100%	N=484
Talked to or visited with your immediate neighbors	36%	N=174	39%	N=187	20%	N=97	5%	N=22	100%	N=480
Done a favor for a neighbor	20%	N=96	23%	N=113	45%	N=219	12%	N=57	100%	N=485

Table 48: Question 9

Thinking about local public meetings (of local elected officials like Township Council or County Commissioners, advisory boards, town halls, HOA, neighborhood watch, etc.), in the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members attended or	2 time	s a week	1	times a		a month				
watched a local public meeting?	or	more	m	onth	or	less	Not	at all	To	otal
Attended a local public meeting	1%	N=3	1%	N=3	15%	N=73	84%	N=402	100%	N=482
Read the agenda or minutes online or on television	3%	N=12	5%	N=25	26%	N=127	66%	N=317	100%	N=482

Table 49: Question 10

Please rate the quality of each of the following services in Bethlehem Township:	Exc	ellent	G	Good	F	air	Po	oor	Don	't know	To	otal
Police services	40%	N=194	42%	N=205	5%	N=24	4%	N=22	9%	N=43	100%	N=489
Fire services	42%	N=205	37%	N=182	3%	N=14	0%	N=2	17%	N=85	100%	N=487
Ambulance or emergency medical services	40%	N=195	34%	N=166	3%	N=13	1%	N=4	22%	N=107	100%	N=487
Crime prevention	22%	N=106	42%	N=205	10%	N=46	5%	N=23	22%	N=104	100%	N=484
Fire prevention and education	20%	N=94	38%	N=185	10%	N=48	3%	N=13	30%	N=143	100%	N=483
Traffic enforcement	18%	N=88	41%	N=196	19%	N=91	11%	N=52	11%	N=53	100%	N=480
Street repair	9%	N=46	33%	N=163	34%	N=165	19%	N=91	5%	N=23	100%	N=487
Street cleaning	15%	N=71	44%	N=216	26%	N=125	12%	N=61	3%	N=15	100%	N=488
Street lighting	8%	N=36	39%	N=188	34%	N=162	19%	N=90	1%	N=7	100%	N=484
Snow removal	11%	N=55	41%	N=200	28%	N=135	17%	N=85	2%	N=11	100%	N=486
Traffic signal timing	9%	N=44	40%	N=197	31%	N=149	14%	N=66	6%	N=31	100%	N=487
Bus or transit services	7%	N=33	14%	N=69	9%	N=45	5%	N=24	65%	N=309	100%	N=479
Recycling	29%	N=138	41%	N=198	16%	N=78	3%	N=16	11%	N=53	100%	N=483
Storm drainage	13%	N=65	41%	N=197	21%	N=102	14%	N=67	11%	N=52	100%	N=483
Sewer services	19%	N=94	51%	N=250	13%	N=62	5%	N=24	12%	N=56	100%	N=486
Sewer utility billing	14%	N=69	43%	N=210	25%	N=122	7%	N=35	10%	N=49	100%	N=485
Township parks	29%	N=139	47%	N=227	13%	N=65	1%	N=5	10%	N=46	100%	N=483
Recreation programs or classes	21%	N=101	33%	N=159	14%	N=66	2%	N=11	29%	N=140	100%	N=477
Land use, planning and zoning	8%	N=38	25%	N=118	27%	N=128	12%	N=58	29%	N=139	100%	N=480
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	8%	N=39	32%	N=153	20%	N=97	10%	N=49	30%	N=147	100%	N=485
Animal control	12%	N=60	31%	N=148	17%	N=80	6%	N=29	34%	N=166	100%	N=483
Economic development	9%	N=44	35%	N=165	21%	N=98	6%	N=30	29%	N=139	100%	N=475
Health services	22%	N=107	47%	N=227	9%	N=45	2%	N=8	20%	N=99	100%	N=487
Public library services	22%	N=105	32%	N=156	9%	N=44	6%	N=30	31%	N=151	100%	N=486
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for natural disasters or other emergency situations)	9%	N=46	23%	N=114	15%	N=73	8%	N=40	44%	N=212	100%	N=484
Preservation of natural areas such as open space, farmlands and greenbelts	10%	N=49	26%	N=124	24%	N=116	18%	N=89	22%	N=106	100%	N=484
Township-sponsored special events	7%	N=33	30%	N=146	17%	N=82	6%	N=28	40%	N=192	100%	N=481
Overall customer service by Bethlehem Township employees (police, receptionists, planners, etc.)	21%	N=99	45%	N=217	15%	N=73	4%	N=20	15%	N=74	100%	N=483
Leaf collection	18%	N=85	43%	N=211	20%	N=99	7%	N=36	11%	N=55	100%	N=486
Bethlehem Township Community Center	28%	N=136	39%	N=187	10%	N=49	3%	N=13	20%	N=97	100%	N=481
Communication from the Township	14%	N=68	43%	N=207	23%	N=113	10%	N=48	10%	N=48	100%	N=485
Recycling center	21%	N=103	40%	N=196	11%	N=54	6%	N=30	21%	N=103	100%	N=486

Table 50: Question 11

Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by each of the following?	Exc	ellent	G	ood	F	air	Po	oor	Don'	t know	To	otal
The Township of Bethlehem Township	18%	N=88	55%	N=267	16%	N=75	2%	N=9	9%	N=45	100%	N=485
The Federal Government	7%	N=33	27%	N=129	30%	N=144	14%	N=68	22%	N=103	100%	N=478
The County of Northampton	8%	N=39	38%	N=180	24%	N=118	8%	N=38	22%	N=105	100%	N=480
The State of Pennsylvania	7%	N=34	32%	N=153	27%	N=130	14%	N=68	20%	N=94	100%	N=479

Table 51: Question 12

Please rate the following categories of Bethlehem Township government performance:	Exc	ellent	G	ood	F	air	Po	oor	Don'	t know	To	otal
The value of services for the taxes paid to Bethlehem Township	5%	N=25	43%	N=210	31%	N=152	12%	N=59	8%	N=40	100%	N=486
The overall direction that Bethlehem Township is taking	5%	N=23	44%	N=214	29%	N=144	10%	N=48	12%	N=61	100%	N=490
The job Bethlehem Township government does at welcoming citizen involvement	5%	N=26	26%	N=129	24%	N=115	15%	N=71	30%	N=147	100%	N=488
Overall confidence in Bethlehem Township government	7%	N=33	41%	N=199	28%	N=136	10%	N=51	14%	N=68	100%	N=487
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	9%	N=46	38%	N=186	25%	N=123	11%	N=55	15%	N=74	100%	N=484
Being honest	8%	N=38	35%	N=168	24%	N=116	8%	N=38	26%	N=127	100%	N=487
Treating all residents fairly	9%	N=45	34%	N=167	23%	N=112	9%	N=43	25%	N=120	100%	N=487

Table 52: Question 13

Table 32. Question 13	_		,							
Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Bethlehem Township community to			\	/ery	Som	newhat	Not	at all		
focus on each of the following in the coming two years:	Ess	ential	imp	ortant	imp	ortant	imp	ortant	To	otal
Overall feeling of safety in Bethlehem Township	60%	N=291	34%	N=163	5%	N=22	2%	N=10	100%	N=486
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	33%	N=161	51%	N=246	15%	N=71	2%	N=8	100%	N=486
Quality of overall natural environment in Bethlehem Township	31%	N=151	50%	N=243	17%	N=80	2%	N=9	100%	N=483
Overall "built environment" of Bethlehem Township (including overall design, buildings, parks										
and transportation systems)	26%	N=127	50%	N=241	22%	N=105	2%	N=11	100%	N=483
Health and wellness opportunities in Bethlehem Township	28%	N=133	44%	N=212	26%	N=125	2%	N=11	100%	N=482
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	31%	N=147	41%	N=195	25%	N=122	4%	N=17	100%	N=481
Overall economic health of Bethlehem Township	45%	N=218	45%	N=218	9%	N=42	1%	N=5	100%	N=482
Sense of community	28%	N=133	48%	N=233	22%	N=106	2%	N=11	100%	N=483

Table 53: Question 14

In the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members used each of the following?		a week or nore	2-4 times a month						Тс	otal
The Bethlehem Area Public Library building	4%	N=21	13%	N=61	22%	N=107	61%	N=298	100%	N=488
The Bethlehem Area Public Library e-book/audiobook service	3%	N=14	2%	N=12	8%	N=41	86%	N=419	100%	N=486
The Bethlehem Area Public Library bookmobile service	2%	N=11	3%	N=16	12%	N=59	82%	N=401	100%	N=488

Table 54: Question 15

Are you currently an active cardholder for the Bethlehem Area Public Library?	Percent	Number
Yes	45%	N=220
No	53%	N=257
Don't know	2%	N=10
Total	100%	N=487

Table 55: Question 16

The Bethlehem Area Public Library (BAPL), located in downtown Bethlehem City, offers traditional library services, as well as offsite services such as bookmobile and			
online lending of e-books and audio books. Bethlehem Township has an agreement with the BAPL to pay \$17.55 per person per year, which is an annual cost in			
Bethlehem Township tax dollars of \$416,462 per year. Should Bethlehem Township continue to pay \$416,462 per year to the Bethlehem Area Public Library?	Percent	Number	1
Yes	57%	N=271	
No	43%	N=204	

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Total	100%	N=475
Table 56: Ouestion 16a		

Table 56: Question 16a

Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree that Bethlehem Township should consider establishing its own public library if the same services were provided		
for less than the amount paid to maintain membership in the Bethlehem Area Library:	Percent	Number
Strongly agree	33%	N=159
Somewhat agree	27%	N=127
Somewhat disagree	11%	N=54
Strongly disagree	21%	N=101
Don't know	8%	N=38
Total	100%	N=480

Table 57: Question 17

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To what extent, if at all, are you worried personally about each of the following	Exti	emely										
environmental issues in Bethlehem Township?	wo	rried	Very	worried	A little	worried	Not v	worried	Don'	t know	To	otal
Pollution of drinking water	25%	N=122	17%	N=81	25%	N=120	32%	N=154	2%	N=10	100%	N=488
Contamination of rivers, lakes and reservoirs	25%	N=123	20%	N=96	28%	N=137	24%	N=119	3%	N=14	100%	N=488
Loss of natural habitat for wildlife	26%	N=129	28%	N=137	27%	N=132	17%	N=83	1%	N=6	100%	N=487
Air pollution	25%	N=120	22%	N=105	31%	N=150	22%	N=105	1%	N=4	100%	N=483
Extinction of plant and animal species	21%	N=102	24%	N=115	25%	N=121	27%	N=134	3%	N=16	100%	N=488
Suburban sprawl and loss of open spaces	31%	N=154	32%	N=158	24%	N=116	11%	N=53	2%	N=8	100%	N=489
Flooding impacting your property	29%	N=142	13%	N=62	26%	N=129	29%	N=142	3%	N=13	100%	N=488
Flooding impacting travel in Bethlehem Township	25%	N=122	25%	N=121	30%	N=145	19%	N=91	2%	N=10	100%	N=488

Table 58: Ouestion 18

Tuble 50. Question 10		
Please rate how familiar you are, if at all, with the Janet Johnston Housenick & William D. Housenick Memorial Park in the Township of Bethlehem:	Percent	Number
Very familiar	11%	N=52
Somewhat familiar	21%	N=103
Not at all familiar	68%	N=330
Total	100%	N=485

Table 59: Question 19

The Johnston Mansion was left to the Township and is in need of repair. Please indicate your level of support for restoring the mansion as a possible venue for event		
rentals, Township programs, etc.?	Percent	Number
Strongly support	17%	N=82
Somewhat support	43%	N=210
Somewhat oppose	10%	N=46
Strongly oppose	9%	N=42
Don't know	21%	N=104
Total	100%	N=485

Table 60: Question 20

Please indicate how likely, if at all, you and/or members of your household would be to participate in each of the	.,			newhat			_	
following types of recreation programs?	Ver	y likely	ll ll	kely	Not at	all likely	10	otal
Preschool Programs	14%	N=66	8%	N=36	79%	N=378	100%	N=480
Youth Sports	25%	N=124	13%	N=61	62%	N=301	100%	N=486
Adult Sports	13%	N=61	38%	N=184	49%	N=238	100%	N=483
Educational Classes	18%	N=87	50%	N=238	32%	N=154	100%	N=479
Arts & Crafts	18%	N=88	40%	N=193	42%	N=206	100%	N=486
Family Activities & Special Events	29%	N=142	37%	N=179	34%	N=165	100%	N=486
Social Activities (dance, theater, music, etc.)	23%	N=114	47%	N=227	30%	N=144	100%	N=486
Lifetime Sports (golf, tennis, biking, etc.)	31%	N=150	36%	N=176	32%	N=157	100%	N=484
Outdoor Recreation	38%	N=185	41%	N=201	20%	N=99	100%	N=484
Youth After School Programs	17%	N=83	16%	N=79	67%	N=324	100%	N=486

Table 61: Question 21

Please indicate how much of a source, if at all, you consider each of the following to be for obtaining information about the Township government and its activities, events and services:	Major source		Mino	source	Not a source		T _c	otal
about the Township government and its activities, events and services.	iviajui	Source	IVIII IOI	Source	INUL a	Source	10	Jiai
Township newsletter (mail)	73%	N=354	20%	N=95	7%	N=33	100%	N=483
Local newspaper (print)	27%	N=131	32%	N=152	41%	N=198	100%	N=482
Local newspaper (online)	28%	N=132	33%	N=158	39%	N=186	100%	N=476
Township blog	13%	N=60	22%	N=104	65%	N=310	100%	N=474
Township communications via social media (i.e. Facebook, Twitter or YouTube)	30%	N=144	25%	N=118	45%	N=217	100%	N=478
Township website (www.BethlehemTownship.org)	42%	N=198	36%	N=172	22%	N=105	100%	N=475
Word-of-mouth	30%	N=144	47%	N=224	23%	N=111	100%	N=479

Table 62: Question D1

How often, if at all, do you do each of the following, considering all of the times you could?	N	ever	Ra	rely	Som	etimes	Us	ually	Alv	ways	To	otal
Recycle at home	1%	N=4	2%	N=8	6%	N=31	10%	N=50	81%	N=388	100%	N=481
Purchase goods or services from a business located in Bethlehem Township	0%	N=1	1%	N=3	24%	N=118	45%	N=214	30%	N=145	100%	N=480
Eat at least 5 portions of fruits and vegetables a day	2%	N=10	16%	N=76	33%	N=160	34%	N=163	15%	N=70	100%	N=479
Participate in moderate or vigorous physical activity	2%	N=11	14%	N=66	33%	N=159	31%	N=151	19%	N=93	100%	N=480
Read or watch local news (via television, paper, computer, etc.)	4%	N=18	7%	N=31	16%	N=77	32%	N=154	41%	N=199	100%	N=480
Vote in local elections	8%	N=37	4%	N=20	14%	N=68	27%	N=129	47%	N=226	100%	N=480

Table 63: Question D2

Would you say that in general your health is:	Percent	Number
Excellent	20%	N=96
Very good	50%	N=241
Good	24%	N=116
Fair	4%	N=19
Poor	2%	N=12
Total	100%	N=483

Table 64: Question D3

What impact, if any, do you think the economy will have on your family income in the next 6 months? Do you think the impact will be:	Percent	Number
Very positive	9%	N=42
Somewhat positive	29%	N=136
Neutral	47%	N=222
Somewhat negative	14%	N=64
Very negative	1%	N=5
Total	100%	N=468

Table 65: Question D4

What is your employment status?	Percent	Number
Working full time for pay	59%	N=283
Working part time for pay	10%	N=45
Unemployed, looking for paid work	2%	N=8
Unemployed, not looking for paid work	4%	N=20
Fully retired	26%	N=122
Total	100%	N=477

Table 66: Question D5

Do you work inside the boundaries of Bethlehem Township?	Percent	Number
Yes, outside the home	16%	N=74
Yes, from home	8%	N=38
No	76%	N=358
Total	100%	N=470

Table 67: Question D6

How many years have you lived in Bethlehem Township?	Percent	Number
Less than 2 years	10%	N=47
2 to 5 years	16%	N=77
6 to 10 years	9%	N=41
11 to 20 years	25%	N=120
More than 20 years	41%	N=198
Total	100%	N=483

Table 68: Question D7

Which best describes the building you live in?	Percent	Number
One family house detached from any other houses	78%	N=376
Building with two or more homes (duplex, townhome, apartment or condominium)	21%	N=99
Mobile home	0%	N=0
Other	1%	N=5
Total	100%	N=481

Table 69: Question D8

Is this house, apartment or mobile home	Percent	Number
Rented	12%	N=58
Owned	88%	N=423
Total	100%	N=481

Table 70: Question D9

Table 701 Education 27		
About how much is your monthly housing cost for the place you live (including rent, mortgage payment, property tax, property insurance and homeowners' association (HOA) fees)?	Percent	Number
Less than \$300 per month	2%	N=8
\$300 to \$599 per month	8%	N=36
\$600 to \$999 per month	14%	N=63
\$1,000 to \$1,499 per month	24%	N=109
\$1,500 to \$2,499 per month	40%	N=180
\$2,500 or more per month	12%	N=55
Total	100%	N=450

Table 71: Question D10

Do any children 17 or under live in your household?	Percent	Number
No	66%	N=320
Yes	34%	N=161
Total	100%	N=481

Table 72: Question D11

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Are you or any other members of your household aged 65 or older?	Percent	Number
No	68%	N=329
Yes	32%	N=153
Total	100%	N=482

Table 73: Question D12

How much do you anticipate your household's total income before taxes will be for the current year? (Please include in your total income money from all sources for all		
persons living in your household.)	Percent	Number
Less than \$25,000	4%	N=19
\$25,000 to \$49,999	18%	N=79
\$50,000 to \$99,999	34%	N=152
\$100,000 to \$149,999	20%	N=90
\$150,000 or more	23%	N=102
Total	100%	N=442

Table 74: Question D13

Are you Spanish, Hispanic or Latino?	Percent	Number
No, not Spanish, Hispanic or Latino	93%	N=443
Yes, I consider myself to be Spanish, Hispanic or Latino	7%	N=32
Total	100%	N=475

Table 75: Question D14

What is your race? (Mark one or more races to indicate what race(s) you consider yourself to be.)	Percent	Number
American Indian or Alaskan Native	0%	N=2
Asian, Asian Indian or Pacific Islander	3%	N=14
Black or African American	2%	N=10
White	90%	N=425
Other	5%	N=26

Total may exceed 100% as respondents could select more than one option.

Table 76: Question D15

In which category is your age?	Percent	Number
18 to 24 years	2%	N=11
25 to 34 years	15%	N=74
35 to 44 years	14%	N=68
45 to 54 years	27%	N=128
55 to 64 years	15%	N=70
65 to 74 years	18%	N=87
75 years or older	9%	N=43
Total	100%	N=480

Table 77: Question D16

What is your sex?	Percent	Number
Female	53%	N=255
Male	47%	N=222
Male Total	100%	N=477

Table 78: Question D17

Do you consider a cell phone or landline your primary telephone number?	Percent	Number
Cell	57%	N=273
Land line	22%	N=106
Both	21%	N=101
Total	100%	N=480

Appendix B: Benchmark Comparisons

Comparison Data

NRC's database of comparative resident opinion is comprised of resident perspectives gathered in surveys from over 500 communities whose residents evaluated the same kinds of topics on The National Citizen Survey. The comparison evaluations are from the most recent survey completed in each community; most communities conduct surveys every year or in alternating years. NRC adds the latest results quickly upon survey completion, keeping the benchmark data fresh and relevant. The communities in the database represent a wide geographic and population range. Bethlehem Township chose to have comparisons made to the entire database.

Interpreting the Results

Ratings are compared when there are at least five communities in which a similar question was asked. Where comparisons are available, four columns are provided in the table. The first column is Bethlehem Township's "percent positive." The percent positive is the combination of the top two most positive response options (i.e., "excellent" and "good," "very safe" and "somewhat safe," etc.), or, in the case of resident behaviors/participation, the percent positive represents the proportion of respondents indicating "yes" or participating in an activity at least once a month. The second column is the rank assigned to Bethlehem Township's rating among communities where a similar question was asked. The third column is the number of communities that asked a similar question. The final column shows the comparison of Bethlehem Township's rating to the benchmark.

In that final column, Bethlehem Township's results are noted as being "higher" than the benchmark, "lower" than the benchmark or "similar" to the benchmark, meaning that the average rating given by Bethlehem Township residents is statistically similar to or different (greater or lesser) than the benchmark

Region	Percent
New England	3%
Middle Atlantic	5%
East North Central	15%
West North Central	13%
South Atlantic	22%
East South Central	3%
West South Central	7%
Mountain	16%
Pacific	16%
Pacific Population	16% Percent
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Population	Percent
Population Less than 10,000	Percent 10%
Population Less than 10,000 10,000 to 24,999	Percent 10% 22%
Population Less than 10,000 10,000 to 24,999 25,000 to 49,999	Percent 10% 22% 23%

Benchmark Database Characteristics

residents is statistically similar to or different (greater or lesser) than the benchmark. More extreme differences are noted as "much higher" or "much lower."

National Benchmark Comparisons

Table 79: Community Characteristics General

	Percent positive	Rank	Number of communities in comparison	Comparison to benchmark
The overall quality of life in Bethlehem Township	89%	163	456	Similar
Overall image or reputation of Bethlehem Township	84%	150	347	Similar
Bethlehem Township as a place to live	93%	175	392	Similar
Your neighborhood as a place to live	92%	109	312	Similar
Bethlehem Township as a place to raise children	91%	147	383	Similar
Bethlehem Township as a place to retire	73%	124	358	Similar
Overall appearance of Bethlehem Township	83%	130	359	Similar

Table 80: Community Characteristics by Facet

		Percent positive	Rank	Number of communities in comparison	Comparison to benchmark
	Overall feeling of safety in Bethlehem Township	90%	150	333	Similar
	In your neighborhood during the day	95%	151	355	Similar
Safety	In Bethlehem Township's downtown/commercial area during the day	95%	161	312	Similar
	Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	71%	128	241	Similar
	Availability of paths and walking trails	53%	217	312	Similar
	Ease of walking in Bethlehem Township	46%	252	300	Lower
	Ease of travel by bicycle in Bethlehem Township	38%	236	303	Lower
	Ease of travel by public transportation in Bethlehem Township	41%	90	204	Similar
	Ease of travel by car in Bethlehem Township	58%	207	303	Similar
Mobility	Traffic flow on major streets	39%	245	344	Similar
	Quality of overall natural environment in Bethlehem Township	74%	197	276	Similar
Natural	Cleanliness of Bethlehem Township	83%	124	283	Similar
Environment	Air quality	76%	159	242	Similar
	Overall "built environment" of Bethlehem Township (including overall design, buildings, parks and transportation systems	63%	106	230	Similar
	Overall quality of new development in Bethlehem Township	60%	126	287	Similar
	Availability of affordable quality housing	62%	48	302	Higher
Built	Variety of housing options	74%	57	278	Higher
Environment	Public places where people want to spend time	64%	140	222	Similar
	Overall economic health of Bethlehem Township	75%	89	236	Similar
	Overall quality of business and service establishments in Bethlehem Township	70%	110	270	Similar
	Cost of living in Bethlehem Township	52%	80	233	Similar
	Shopping opportunities	65%	107	293	Similar
	Employment opportunities	49%	109	311	Similar
	Bethlehem Township as a place to visit	66%	120	250	Similar
Economy	Bethlehem Township as a place to work	67%	146	359	Similar
	Health and wellness opportunities in Bethlehem Township	83%	63	231	Similar
Recreation and	Availability of affordable quality mental health care	67%	14	202	Higher
Wellness	Availability of affordable quality health care	78%	30	258	Higher

		Percent positive	Rank	Number of communities in comparison	Comparison to benchmark
	Availability of affordable quality food	80%	43	236	Similar
	Recreational opportunities	67%	146	298	Similar
	Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.)	77%	79	221	Similar
	Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	80%	82	232	Similar
	Opportunities to participate in religious or spiritual events and activities	80%	119	199	Similar
	Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities	60%	137	297	Similar
	Adult educational opportunities	81%	19	208	Higher
Education and	K-12 education	78%	138	268	Similar
Enrichment	Availability of affordable quality child care/preschool	65%	52	248	Similar
	Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	54%	178	259	Similar
	Neighborliness of Bethlehem Township	62%	133	225	Similar
	Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of diverse backgrounds	64%	121	291	Similar
Community	Opportunities to participate in community matters	59%	171	271	Similar
Engagement	Opportunities to volunteer	67%	171	263	Similar

Table 81: Governance General

Table 01. Governance General	_			
	Percent		Number of communities in	Comparison to
	positive	Rank	comparison	benchmark
Services provided by the Township of Bethlehem	81%	172	433	Similar
Overall customer service by Bethlehem Township employees				
(police, receptionists, planners, etc.)	77%	179	377	Similar
Value of services for the taxes paid to Bethlehem Township	53%	229	402	Similar
Overall direction that Bethlehem Township is taking	55%	198	317	Similar
Job Bethlehem Township government does at welcoming				
citizen involvement	45%	241	317	Similar
Overall confidence in Bethlehem Township government	55%	125	235	Similar
Generally acting in the best interest of the community	57%	128	234	Similar
Being honest	57%	132	227	Similar
Treating all residents fairly	58%	119	232	Similar
Services provided by the Federal Government	43%	66	247	Similar

Table 82: Governance by Facet

		Percent positive	Rank	Number of communities in comparison	Comparison to benchmark
	Police services	90%	100	460	Similar
	Fire services	96%	112	384	Similar
	Ambulance or emergency medical services	95%	89	353	Similar
	Crime prevention	82%	111	358	Similar
	Fire prevention and education	82%	141	284	Similar
	Animal control	66%	140	341	Similar
Safety	Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for natural disasters or other emergency situations)	59%	187	275	Similar
	Traffic enforcement	67%	162	373	Similar
	Street repair	45%	226	396	Similar
	Street cleaning	61%	197	322	Similar
	Street lighting	47%	284	327	Similar
	Snow removal	54%	236	296	Similar
	Traffic signal timing	53%	128	260	Similar
Mobility	Bus or transit services	60%	77	224	Similar

		Percent positive	Rank	Number of communities in comparison	Comparison to benchmark
	Recycling	78%	191	362	Similar
Natural Environment	Preservation of natural areas such as open space, farmlands and greenbelts	46%	224	254	Lower
	Storm drainage	61%	238	353	Similar
	Sewer services	80%	162	325	Similar
	Sewer utility billing	64%	141	204	Similar
	Land use, planning and zoning	46%	153	304	Similar
Built Environment	Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	57%	152	388	Similar
Economy	Economic development	62%	103	284	Similar
	Township parks	84%	137	328	Similar
Recreation and	Recreation programs or classes	77%	94	324	Similar
Wellness	Health services	86%	25	212	Higher
Education and	Township-sponsored special events	62%	183	252	Similar
Enrichment	Public library services	78%	273	343	Similar

Table 83: Participation General

	Percent positive	Rank	Number of communities in comparison	Comparison to benchmark
Sense of community	60%	200	312	Similar
Recommend living in Bethlehem Township to someone who asks	93%	81	284	Similar
Remain in Bethlehem Township for the next five years	91%	22	275	Similar
Contacted Bethlehem Township (in-person, phone, email or web) for help or information	46%	148	316	Similar

Table 84: Participation by Facet

		Percent positive	Rank	Number of communities in comparison	Comparison to benchmark
	Stocked supplies in preparation for an	4007	F0	202	Class II a s
	emergency	42%	58 45	203 227	Similar Similar
C-f-t-	Did NOT report a crime to the police	85%		 :	
Safety	Household member was NOT a victim of a crime	93%	45	272	Similar
	Used public transportation instead of driving	6%	165	184	Much lower
	Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	35%	182	215	Similar
Mobility	Walked or biked instead of driving	40%	198	223	Lower
	Made efforts to conserve water	79%	124	210	Similar
Natural	Made efforts to make your home more energy efficient	80%	41	211	Similar
Environment	Recycle at home	97%	28	256	Higher
	Did NOT observe a code violation or other hazard in Bethlehem Township	67%	30	217	Higher
Built Environment	NOT experiencing housing costs stress	72%	93	253	Similar
	Purchase goods or services from a business located in Bethlehem Township	99%	12	221	Similar
	Economy will have positive impact on income	38%	37	254	Similar
Economy	Work inside boundaries of Bethlehem Township	24%	201	222	Lower
	Used Bethlehem Township recreation centers or their services	61%	86	232	Similar
	Visited a neighborhood park or Township park	75%	236	267	Similar
Recreation and Wellness	Eat at least 5 portions of fruits and vegetables a day	82%	131	213	Similar

		Percent positive	Rank	Number of communities in comparison	Comparison to benchmark
	Participate in moderate or vigorous physical activity	84%	127	217	Similar
	In very good to excellent health	70%	88	217	Similar
Education and	Participated in religious or spiritual activities in Bethlehem Township	38%	144	196	Similar
Enrichment	Attended Township-sponsored event	28%	223	223	Much lower
	Campaigned or advocated for an issue, cause or candidate	20%	137	204	Similar
	Contacted Bethlehem Township elected officials (in-person, phone, email or web) to express your opinion	14%	166	220	Similar
	Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Bethlehem Township	27%	217	262	Lower
	Participated in a club	18%	200	236	Similar
	Talked to or visited with your immediate neighbors	95%	32	218	Similar
	Done a favor for a neighbor	88%	25	213	Similar
	Attended a local public meeting	16%	205	261	Similar
Community	Read or watch local news (via television, paper, computer, etc.)	90%	33	222	Similar
Engagement	Vote in local elections	88%	50	255	Similar

Communities included in national comparisons The communities included in Bethlehem Township's comparisons are listed on the following pages along with their population according to the 2010 Census.

Adams County, CO	441,603
Airway Heights city, WA	
Albany city, OR	50,158
Albemarle County, VA	
Albert Lea city, MN	
Alexandria city, VA	139,966
Algonquin village, IL	30,046
Aliso Viejo city, CA	47,823
Altoona city, IA	14,541
American Canyon city, CA	19,454
Ames city, IA	58,965
Andover CDP, MA	8,762
Ankeny city, IA	45,582
Ann Arbor city, MI	
Annapolis city, MD	
Apache Junction city, AZ	
Arapahoe County, CO	
Arkansas City city, AR	366
Arlington city, TX	365,438
Arvada city, CO	106,433
Asheville city, NC	
Ashland city, OR	
Ashland town, MA	
Ashland town, VA	
Aspen city, CO	
Athens-Clarke County, GA	
Auburn city, AL	
Augusta CCD, GA	
Aurora city, CO	
Austin city, TX	
Avon town, CO	
Avon town, IN	
Avondale city, AZ	
Azusa city, CA	·
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Bainbridge Island city, WA	
Baltimore city, MD	
Bartonville town, TX	
Battle Creek city, MI	
Bay City city, MI	
Bay Village city, OH	
Baytown city, TX	71,802
Bedford city, TX	46,979
Bedford town, MA	13,320
Bellevue city, WA	122,363
Bellingham city, WA	80,885
Benbrook city, TX	21,234
Bend city, OR	76,639
Bethlehem township, PA	
Bettendorf city, IA	
Billings city, MT	
Blaine city, MN	
Bloomfield Hills city, MI	3,869
Bloomington city, IN	80,405
Bloomington city, MN	82,893
Blue Springs city, MO	
Boise City city, ID	
Bonner Springs city, KS	
Boone County, KY	
Boulder city, CO	
Bowling Green city, KY	
Bozeman city, MT	
Brentwood city, MO	
Brentwood city, TN	
Brighton city, CO	
Brighton city, MI	
Bristol city, TN	
Broken Arrow city, OK	
Brookfield city, WI	
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Brookline CDP, MA	58.732	Dallas city, TX	1,197.816
Brooklyn Center city, MN	,	Danville city, KY	
Brooklyn city, OH		Dardenne Prairie city, MO	
Broomfield city, CO		Darien city, IL	
Brownsburg town, IN	21,285	Davenport city, FL	2,888
Buffalo Grove village, IL		Davenport city, IA	
Burien city, WA	33,313	Davidson town, NC	10,944
Burleson city, TX	36,690	Dayton city, OH	141,527
Burlingame city, CA		Dayton town, WY	
Cabarrus County, NC		Decatur city, GA	
Cambridge city, MA		Del Mar city, CA	
Cannon Beach city, OR		DeLand city, FL	27,031
Cañon City city, CO		Delaware city, OH	
Canton city, SD		Delray Beach city, FL	
Cape Coral city, FL		Denison city, TX	
Cape Girardeau city, MO		Denton city, TX	
Carlisle borough, PA		Denver city, CO	
Carlsbad city, CA		Derby city, KS	
Carroll city, IA		Des Moines city, IA	
Cartersville city, GA		Des Peres city, MO	
Cary town, NC		Destin city, FL	
•	•	Dothan city, AL	
Castle Pines North city, CO		Douglas County, CO	
Cedar Hill city, TX		Dover city, NH Dublin city, CA	
Cedar Rapids city, IA		Dublin city, OH	
Celina city, TX		Duluth city, MN	
Centennial city, CO		Durham city, NC	
Chandler city, AZ		Durham County, NC	
Chandler city, TX		Dyer town, IN	
Chanhassen city, MN		Eagan city, MN	
Chapel Hill town, NC		Eagle Mountain city, UT	
Chardon city, OH		Eagle town, CO	
Charles County, MD		East Grand Forks city, MN	
Charlotte city, NC		East Lansing city, MI	
Charlotte County, FL		Eau Claire city, WI	
Charlottesville city, VA		Eden Prairie city, MN	
Chattanooga city, TN		Edgerton city, KS	
Chautaugua town, NY		Edgewater city, CO	
Chesterfield County, VA	316,236	Edina city, MN	
Citrus Heights city, CA	83,301	Edmond city, OK	81,405
Clackamas County, OR	375,992	Edmonds city, WA	39,709
Clarendon Hills village, IL	8,427	El Cerrito city, CA	23,549
Clayton city, MO		El Dorado County, CA	181,058
Clearwater city, FL		El Paso de Robles (Paso Robles) city, CA	
Cleveland Heights city, OH	46,121	Elk Grove city, CA	
Clinton city, SC	8,490	Elko New Market city, MN	4,110
Clive city, IA		Elmhurst city, IL	
Clovis city, CA		Encinitas city, CA	
College Park city, MD		Englewood city, CO	
College Station city, TX		Erie town, CO	
Columbia city, MO		Escambia County, FL	
Columbia city, SC		Estes Park town, CO	
Columbia Falls city, MT		Euclid city, OH	
Commerce City city, CO		Fairview town, TX	
Concord city, CA		Farmersville city, TX	
Consoleration, MA		Farmington Hills city, MI	
Conshohocken borough, PA		Fayetteville city, NC	
Copporas Coyo city, TV		Fernandina Beach city, FL	
Corpl Springs city, FI		Fishers town, IN	
Coronado city, CA		Flagstaff city, AZ	
Convallis city, CR		Flower Mound town, TX	
Cottonwood Heights city, UT		Fort Collins city, CO	
Creve Coour city, MO		Fort Lauderdale city, FI	
Creve Coeur city, MO		Fort Lauderdale city, FLFort Smith city, AR	
		Franklin city, TN	
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Dacono city, CO Dade City city, FL Dakota County, MN	6,437	Fremont city, CAFriendswood city, TX	

The National Citizen Survey™ 33,248 Kansas City city, KS...

Gahanna city, OH		Kansas City city, KS	
Gaithersburg city, MD		Kansas City city, MO	
Galveston city, TX		Keizer city, OR	
Gardner city, KS Georgetown city, TX		Kenmore city, WA Kennedale city, TX	
Germantown city, TN		Kennett Square borough, PA	
Gilbert town, AZ		Kent city, WA	
Gillette city, WY		Kerrville city, TX	
Glen Ellyn village, IL	27,450	Kettering city, OH	56,163
Glendora city, CA		Key West city, FL	
Glenview village, IL		King City city, CA	
Globe city, AZ		King County, WA	
Golden city, CO		Kirkland city, WA Kirkwood city, MO	
Goodyear city, AZ		Knoxville city, IA	
Grafton village, WI		La Plata town, MD	
Grand Blanc city, MI		La Porte city, TX	
Grants Pass city, OR	34,533	La Vista city, NE	15,758
Grass Valley city, CA		Lafayette city, CO	
Greeley city, CO		Laguna Beach city, CA	
Greenville city, NC		Laguna Niguel city, CA	
Greenwich town, CTGreenwood Village city, CO		Lake Forest city, IL Lake in the Hills village, IL	
Greer city, SC		Lake Stevens city, WA	
Gunnison County, CO		Lake Worth city, FL	
Hailey city, ID		Lake Zurich village, IL	
Haines Borough, AK		Lakeville city, MN	
Haltom City city, TX	42,409	Lakewood city, CO	
Hamilton city, OH	62,477	Lakewood city, WA	
Hamilton town, MA		Lane County, OR	
Hanover County, VA		Lansing city, MI	
Harrisburg city, SD Harrisonburg city, VA		Laramie city, WYLarimer County, CO	
Harrisonville city, MO		Las Cruces city, NM	
Hastings city, MN		Las Vegas city, NM	
Hayward city, CA		Las Vegas city, NV	
Henderson city, NV		Lawrence city, KS	
Herndon town, VA		Lawrenceville city, GA	
High Point city, NC		Lee's Summit city, MO	
Highland Park city, IL		Lehi city, UT	
Highlands Ranch CDP, CO Holland city, MI		Lenexa city, KS Lewis County, NY	
Homer Glen village, IL		Lewiston city, ID	
Honolulu County, HI		Lewisville city, TX	
Hooksett town, NH		Lewisville town, NC	
Hopkins city, MN	17,591	Libertyville village, IL	20,315
Hopkinton town, MA		Lincoln city, NE	
Hoquiam city, WA		Lincolnwood village, IL	
Horry County, SC		Lindsborg city, KS	
Howard village, WI Hudson city, OH		Little Chute village, WI Littleton city, CO	
Hudson town, CO		Livermore city, CA	
Huntley village, IL		Lombard village, IL	
Hurst city, TX		Lone Tree city, CO	
Hutchinson city, MN		Long Grove village, IL	
Hutto city, TX		Longmont city, CO	86,270
Independence city, MO		Longview city, TX	
Indianola city, IA		Lonsdale city, MN	
Indio city, CA		Los Altos Hills town, CA	
Iowa City city, IA		Los Altos Hills town, CA Louisville city, CO	
Issaquah city, WA		Lower Merion township, PA	
Jackson County, MI		Lynchburg city, VA	
James City County, VA		Lynnwood city, WA	
Jefferson County, NY		Macomb County, MI	
Jefferson Parish, LA		Manassas city, VA	
Johnson City city, TN		Manhattan Beach city, CA	
Johnston city, IA		Manhattan city, KS	
Jupiter town, FL		Mankato city, MN	
Kalamazoo city, MI		Maple Grove city, MN	

Maricopa County, AZ	3,817,117	Oakland city, CA	
Marion city, IA		Oakley city, CA	
Marshfield city, WI		Oklahoma City city, OK	
Martinez city, CA		Old Town city, MF	
Marysville city, WA Matthews town, NC		Old Town city, MEOlmsted County, MN	
McAllen city, TX		Olympia city, WA	
McKinney city, TX	•	Orange village, OH	
McMinnville city, OR		Orland Park village, IL	
Menlo Park city, CA		Orleans Parish, LA	343,829
Menomonee Falls village, WI	35,626	Oshkosh city, WI	66,083
Mercer Island city, WA		Oshtemo charter township, MI	
Meridian charter township, MI		Oswego village, IL	
Meridian city, ID		Otsego County, MI	
Merriam city, KS		Ottawa County, MI	
Mesa County CO		Paducah city, KY	
Mesa County, CO Miami Beach city, FL		Palm Beach Gardens city, FL Palm Coast city, FL	
Miami city, FL		Palo Alto city, CA	
Middleton city, WI	17.442	Palos Verdes Estates city, CA	
Midland city, MI		Papillion city, NE	
Milford city, DE		Paradise Valley town, AZ	
Milton city, GA		Park City city, UT	
Minneapolis city, MN	382,578	Parker town, CO	
Missouri City city, TX		Parkland city, FL	23,962
Modesto city, CA		Pasco city, WA	59,781
Monterey city, CA		Pasco County, FL	
Montgomery city, MN		Payette city, ID	
Montgomery County, MD		Pearland city, TX	
Montroso sity, CO		Peoria city, AZ	
Montrose city, CO Monument town, CO		Peoria city, IL Pflugerville city, TX	
Mooresville town, NC	•	Phoenix city, AZ	
Moraga town, CA		Pinehurst village, NC	
Morristown city, TN		Piqua city, OH	20,522
Morrisville town, NC		Pitkin County, CO	
Morro Bay city, CA		Plano city, TX	259,841
Mountain Village town, CO		Platte City city, MO	
Mountlake Terrace city, WA		Pleasant Hill city, IA	
Murphy city, TX		Pleasanton city, CA	70,285
Naperville city, IL		Plymouth city, MN	
Napoleon city, OH		Polk County, IA	
Needham CDP, MA Nevada City city, CA		Pompano Beach city, FL Port Orange city, FL	
Nevada County, CA		Portland city, OR	
New Braunfels city, TX		Post Falls city, ID	
New Brighton city, MN		Powell city, OH	
New Hanover County, NC		Prince William County, VA	
New Hope city, MN		Prior Lake city, MN	
New Orleans city, LA	343,829	Pueblo city, CO	106,595
New Port Richey city, FL		Purcellville town, VA	
New Smyrna Beach city, FL		Queen Creek town, AZ	
New Ulm city, MN		Raleigh city, NC	
Newberg city, OR		Ramsey city, MN	
Newport city, RI Newport News city, VA		Raymond town, MERaymore city, MO	
Newton city, IA		Redmond city, OR	
Noblesville city, IN		Redmond city, WA	
Nogales city, AZ		Reno city, NV	
Norcross city, GA		Reston CDP, VA	
Norfolk city, VA		Richland city, WA	
North Mankato city, MN		Richmond city, CA	
North Port city, FL		Richmond Heights city, MO	
North Richland Hills city, TX		Rio Rancho city, NM	
North Yarmouth town, ME		River Falls city, WI	
Novato city, CA		Riverside city, CA	
Novi city, MI		Riverside city, MO	
O'Fallon city, IL		Roanoke city, VA	
O'Fallon city, MO		Roanoke County, VA Rochester Hills city, MI	
Oak Park village, IL		Roulester tillis city, Mil	10,995

The National Citizen Survey™ 66,154 State College borough, PA.....

Rock Hill city, SC		State College borough, PA	
Rockville city, MD Roeland Park city, KS		Steamboat Springs city, CO Sterling Heights city, MI	
Rogers city, MN		Sugar Grove village, IL	
Rohnert Park city, CA		Sugar Land city, TX	
Rolla city, MO		Suisun City city, CA	
Roselle village, IL		Summit city, NJ	
Rosemount city, MN		Summit County, UT	
Rosenberg city, TX		Summit village, IL	
Roseville city, MNRound Rock city, TX		Sunnyvale city, CA Surprise city, AZ	
Royal Oak city, MI		Suwanee city, GA	
Saco city, ME		Tacoma city, WA	
Sahuarita town, AZ		Takoma Park city, MD	
Salida city, CO		Tamarac city, FL	60,427
Sammamish city, WA		Temecula city, CA	
San Anselmo town, CA		Tempe city, AZ	
San Diego city, CA		Temple city, TX Texarkana city, TX	
San Jose city, CA		The Woodlands CDP, TX	
San Juan County, NM		Thousand Oaks city, CA	
San Marcos city, CA		Tigard city, OR	
San Marcos city, TX	44,894	Tracy city, CA	82,922
San Rafael city, CA		Trinidad CCD, CO	
Sanford city, FL		Tualatin city, OR	
Sangamon County, IL		Tulsa city, OK	391,906
Santa Clarita city, CA Santa Fe city, NM		Twin Falls city, ID Tyler city, TX	
Santa Fe County, NM		Unalaska city, AK	
Santa Monica city, CA		University Heights city, OH	
Sarasota County, FL		University Park city, TX	
Savage city, MN		Upper Arlington city, OH	
Schaumburg village, IL		Urbandale city, IA	
Schertz city, TX		Vail town, CO	
Scott County, MN		Vancouver city, WA	
Scottsdale city, AZ Seaside city, CA		Ventura CCD, CAVernon Hills village, IL	
Sedona city, AZ		Vestavia Hills city, AL	
Sevierville city, TN		Victoria city, MN	
Shakopee city, MN	37,076	Vienna town, VA	
Sharonville city, OH		Virginia Beach city, VA	
Shawnee city, KS		Walnut Creek city, CA	
Shawnee city, OK		Washington County, MN	
Sherborn town, MA Shoreview city, MN		Washington town, NH Washoe County, NV	
Shorewood village, IL		Washougal city, WA	
Shorewood village, WI		Wauwatosa city, WI	
Sierra Vista city, AZ		Waverly city, IA	9,874
Silverton city, OR		Weddington town, NC	
Sioux Center city, IA		Wentzville city, MO	
Sioux Falls city, SD		West Carrollton city, OH	
Skokie village, IL		West Chester borough, PA West Des Moines city, IA	
Snellville city, GA Snoqualmie city, WA		Western Springs village, IL	
Somerset town, MA		Westerville city, OH	
South Jordan city, UT		Westlake town, TX	
South Lake Tahoe city, CA		Westminster city, CO	106,114
Southlake city, TX		Weston town, MA	
Spearfish city, SD		White House city, TN	
Spring Hill city, KS		Wichita city, KS	
Springboro city, OH		Williamsburg city, VA	
Springfield city, MOSpringville city, UT		Willowbrook village, IL Wilmington city, NC	
St. Augustine city, FL		Wilsonville city, OR	
St. Charles city, IL		Windsor town, CO	
St. Cloud city, FL		Windsor town, CT	
St. Cloud city, MN	65,842	Winnetka village, IL	
St. Joseph city, MO		Winter Garden city, FL	
St. Joseph town, WI		Woodbury city, MN	
St. Louis County, MN	200,226	Woodinville city, WA	10,938

Woodland city, CA		Yorktown town, IN Yorkville city, IL Yountville city, CA	16,921
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Appendix C: Detailed Survey Methods

The National Citizen Survey (The NCS^{TM}), conducted by National Research Center, Inc., was developed to provide communities an accurate, affordable and easy way to assess and interpret resident opinion about important local topics. Standardization of common questions and survey methods provide the rigor to assure valid results, and each community has enough flexibility to construct a customized version of The NCS.

Results offer insight into residents' perspectives about the community as a whole, including local amenities, services, public trust, resident participation and other aspects of the community in order to support budgeting, land use and strategic planning and communication with residents. Resident demographic characteristics permit comparison to the Census as well as comparison of results for different subgroups of residents. Bethlehem Township funded this research. Please contact Doug Bruce of Bethlehem Township at dbruce@bethlehemtwp.com if you have any questions about the survey.

Survey Validity

The question of survey validity has two parts: 1) how can a community be confident that the results from those who completed the questionnaire are representative of the results that would have been obtained had the survey been administered to the entire population? and 2) how closely do the perspectives recorded on the survey reflect what residents really believe or do?

To answer the first question, the best survey research practices were used for the resources spent to ensure that the results from the survey respondents reflect the opinions of residents in the entire community. These practices include:

- Using a mail-out/mail-back methodology, which typically gets a higher response rate than phone for the same dollars spent. A higher response rate lessens the worry that those who did not respond are different than those who did respond.
- Selecting households at random within the community to receive the survey to ensure that the households selected to receive the survey are representative of the larger community.
- Over-sampling multi-family housing units to improve response from hard-to-reach, lower income or younger apartment dwellers.
- Selecting the respondent within the household using an unbiased sampling procedure; in this case, the "birthday method." The cover letter included an instruction requesting that the respondent in the household be the adult (18 years old or older) who most recently had a birthday, irrespective of year of birth.
- Contacting potential respondents three times to encourage response from people who may have different opinions or habits than those who would respond with only a single prompt.
- Inviting response in a compelling manner (using appropriate letterhead/logos and a signature of a visible leader) to appeal to recipients' sense of civic responsibility.
- Providing a pre-addressed, postage-paid return envelope.
- Offering the survey in Spanish or other language when requested by a given community.
- Weighting the results to reflect the demographics of the population.

The answer to the second question about how closely the perspectives recorded on the survey reflect what residents really believe or do is more complex. Resident responses to surveys are influenced by a variety of factors. For questions about service quality, residents' expectations for service quality play a role as well as the "objective" quality of the service provided, the way the resident perceives the entire community (that is, the context in which the service is provided), the scale on which the resident is asked to record his or her opinion and, of course, the opinion, itself, that a resident holds about the service. Similarly a resident's report of certain behaviors is colored by what he or she believes is the socially desirable response (e.g., reporting tolerant behaviors toward "oppressed groups," likelihood of voting for a tax increase for services to poor people, use of alternative modes of travel to work besides the single occupancy vehicle), his or her memory of the actual behavior (if it is not a question speculating about future actions, like a vote), his or her confidence that he or she can be honest without suffering any negative consequences (thus the need for anonymity) as well as the actual behavior itself.

How closely survey results come to recording the way a person really feels or behaves often is measured by the coincidence of reported behavior with observed current behavior (e.g., driving habits), reported intentions to behave with observed future behavior (e.g., voting choices) or reported opinions about current community quality

with objective characteristics of the community (e.g., feelings of safety correlated with rates of crime). There is a body of scientific literature that has investigated the relationship between reported behaviors and actual behaviors. Well-conducted surveys, by and large, do capture true respondent behaviors or intentions to act with great accuracy. Predictions of voting outcomes tend to be quite accurate using survey research, as do reported behaviors that are not about highly sensitive issues (e.g., family abuse or other illegal or morally sanctioned activities). For self-reports about highly sensitive issues, statistical adjustments can be made to correct for the respondents' tendency to report what they think the "correct" response should be.

Research on the correlation of resident opinion about service quality and "objective" ratings of service quality vary, with some showing stronger relationships than others. NRC's own research has demonstrated that residents who report the lowest ratings of street repair live in communities with objectively worse street conditions than those who report high ratings of street repair (based on road quality, delay in street repair, number of road repair employees). Similarly, the lowest rated fire services appear to be "objectively" worse than the highest rated fire services (expenditures per capita, response time, "professional" status of firefighters, breadth of services and training provided). Resident opinion commonly reflects objective performance data but is an important measure on its own. NRC principals have written, "If you collect trash three times a day but residents think that your trash haul is lousy, you still have a problem."

Selecting Survey Recipients

"Sampling" refers to the method by which households were chosen to receive the survey. All households within the Bethlehem Township were eligible to participate in the survey. A list of all households within the zip codes serving Bethlehem Township was purchased from Go-Dog Direct based on updated listings from the United States Postal Service. Since some of the zip codes that serve Bethlehem Township households may also serve addresses that lie outside of the community, the exact geographic location of each housing unit was compared to community boundaries using the most current municipal boundary file (updated on a quarterly basis) and addresses located outside of Bethlehem Township boundaries were removed from consideration. Each address identified as being within Township boundaries was further identified as being within one of the four Wards.

To choose the 1,500 survey recipients, a systematic sampling method was applied to the list of households previously screened for geographic location. Systematic sampling is a procedure whereby a complete list of all possible households is culled, selecting every *Nth* one, giving each eligible household a known probability of selection, until the appropriate number of households is selected. Multi-family housing units were selected at a higher rate as residents of this type of housing typically respond at lower rates to surveys than do those in single-family housing units. Figure 1 displays a map of the households selected to receive the survey. In general, because of the random sampling techniques used, the displayed sampling density will closely mirror the overall housing unit density (which may be different from the population density). While the theory of probability assumes no bias in selection, there may be some minor variations in practice (meaning, an area with only 15% of the housing units might be selected at an actual rate that is slightly above or below that).

An individual within each household was selected using the birthday method. The birthday method selects a person within the household by asking the "person whose birthday has most recently passed" to complete the questionnaire. The underlying assumption in this method is that day of birth has no relationship to the way people respond to surveys. This instruction was contained in the cover letter accompanying the questionnaire.

In addition to the scientific, random selection of households, a link to an online "opt-in" survey was publicized and posted to the Bethlehem Township website. This opt-in survey was identical to the scientific survey and open to all Township residents. (The data presented in this report exclude the opt-in survey data. These data can be found in the *Supplemental Online Survey Results* provided under separate cover.)

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Figure 1: Location of Survey Recipients

Survey Administration and Response

Selected households received three mailings, one week apart, beginning on December 28, 2017. The first mailing was a prenotification postcard announcing the upcoming survey. The next mailing contained a letter from the Township Manager inviting the household to participate, a questionnaire and a postage-paid return envelope. The final mailing contained a reminder letter, another survey and a postage-paid return envelope. The second cover letter asked those who had not completed the survey to do so and those who had already done so to refrain from turning in another survey. The survey was available in English. Bethlehem Township chose to augment their administration of The NCS with an additional page of custom questions. Completed surveys were collected over the following seven weeks. The online "opt-in" survey became available to all residents on February 1, 2018 and remained open for two weeks.

About 2% of the 1,500 surveys mailed were returned because the housing unit was vacant or the postal service was unable to deliver the survey as addressed. Of the remaining 1,466 households that received the survey, 493 completed the survey, providing an overall response rate of 34%. Additionally, responses were tracked by Ward; response rates by Ward ranged from 29% to 38%. The response rates were calculated using AAPOR's response rate $\#2^1$ for mailed surveys of unnamed persons. Additionally, 397 residents completed the online opt-in survey; results of the opt-in survey can be found in the *Supplemental Online Survey Results* report provided under separate cover.

¹ See AAPOR's Standard Definitions here: http://www.aapor.org/Standards-Ethics/Standard-Definitions-(1).aspx for more information

Table 85: Survey Response Rates by Ward

	Ward 1	Ward 2	Ward 3	Ward 4	Overall
Total sample used	410	400	383	307	1500
I=Complete Interviews	131	112	141	106	490
P=Partial Interviews	1	1	1	0	3
R=Refusal and break off	0	1	0	0	1
NC=Non Contact	0	0	0	0	0
O=Other	0	0	0	0	0
UH=Unknown household	0	0	0	0	0
UO=Unknown other	273	273	233	193	972
Response rate: $(I+P)/(I+P) + (R+NC+O) + (UH+UO)$	33%	29%	38%	35%	34%

Confidence Intervals

It is customary to describe the precision of estimates made from surveys by a "level of confidence" and accompanying "confidence interval" (or margin of error). A traditional level of confidence, and the one used here, is 95%. The 95% confidence interval can be any size and quantifies the sampling error or imprecision of the survey results because some residents' opinions are relied on to estimate all residents' opinions.²

The margin of error for Bethlehem Township survey is no greater than plus or minus four percentage points around any given percent reported for all respondents (493 completed surveys).

For subgroups of responses, the margin of error increases because the number of respondents for the subgroup is smaller. For subgroups of approximately 100 respondents, the margin of error is plus or minus 10 percentage points.

Survey Processing (Data Entry)

Upon receipt, completed surveys were assigned a unique identification number. Additionally, each survey was reviewed and "cleaned" as necessary. For example, a question may have asked a respondent to pick two items out of a list of five, but the respondent checked three; in this case, NRC would use protocols to randomly choose two of the three selected items for inclusion in the dataset.

All surveys then were entered twice into an electronic dataset; any discrepancies were resolved in comparison to the original survey form. Range checks as well as other forms of quality control were also performed.

NRC used SurveyGizmo, a web-based survey and analytics platform, to collect the online opt-in survey data. Use of an online system means all collected data are entered into the dataset when the respondents submit the surveys. Skip patterns are programmed into system so respondents are automatically "skipped" to the appropriate question based on the individual responses being given. Online programming also allows for more rigid control of the data format, making extensive data cleaning unnecessary. Blank or empty submissions (questionnaires submitted with no questions answered) were removed from the opt-in dataset.

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² A 95% confidence interval indicates that for every 100 random samples of this many residents, 95 of the confidence intervals created will include the "true" population response. This theory is applied in practice to mean that the "true" perspective of the target population lies within the confidence interval created for a single survey. For example, if 75% of residents rate a service as "excellent" or "good," then the 4% margin of error (for the 95% confidence interval) indicates that the range of likely responses for the entire community is between 71% and 79%. This source of uncertainty is called sampling error. In addition to sampling error, other sources of error may affect any survey, including the non-response of residents with opinions different from survey responders. Though standardized on The NCS, on other surveys, differences in question wording, order, translation and data entry, as examples, can lead to somewhat varying results.

Survey Data Weighting

The demographic characteristics of the survey respondents were compared to those found in the 2010 Census and American Community Survey estimates for adults in Bethlehem Township. The primary objective of weighting survey data is to make the survey respondents reflective of the larger population of the community. The characteristics used for weighting were housing tenure (rent or own), housing unit type (attached or detached), race, sex, age and Ward. No adjustments were made for design effects. The results of the weighting scheme are presented in the following table.

Table 86: Bethlehem Township, PA 2018 Weighting Table

Characteristic	2010 Census	Unweighted Data	Weighted Data
Housing			
Rent home	14%	5%	12%
Own home	86%	95%	88%
Detached unit*	77%	84%	78%
Attached unit*	23%	16%	22%
Race and Ethnicity			
White	89%	90%	89%
Not white	11%	10%	11%
Not Hispanic	93%	95%	93%
Hispanic	7%	5%	7%
Sex and Age			
Female	52%	52%	53%
Male	48%	48%	47%
18-34 years of age	19%	5%	18%
35-54 years of age	41%	20%	41%
55+ years of age	39%	75%	42%
Females 18-34	10%	3%	9%
Females 35-54	21%	11%	21%
Females 55+	21%	39%	23%
Males 18-34	10%	2%	9%
Males 35-54	20%	10%	19%
Males 55+	18%	36%	18%
Ward			
Ward 1	26%	27%	26%
Ward 2	27%	23%	26%
Ward 3	25%	29%	26%
Ward 4	22%	22%	22%

^{*} American Community Survey 2011 5-year estimates

Survey Data Analysis and Reporting

The survey dataset was analyzed using the Statistical Package for the Social Sciences (SPSS). For the most part, the percentages presented in the reports represent the "percent positive." The percent positive is the combination of the top two most positive response options (i.e., "excellent" and "good," "very safe" and "somewhat safe," "essential" and "very important," etc.), or, in the case of resident behaviors/participation, the percent positive represents the proportion of respondents indicating "yes" or participating in an activity at least once a month.

On many of the questions in the survey respondents may answer "don't know." The proportion of respondents giving this reply is shown in the full set of responses included in Appendix A. However, these responses have been removed from the analyses presented in the reports. In other words, the tables and graphs display the responses from respondents who had an opinion about a specific item. When a table for a question that only permitted a single response does not total to exactly 100%, it is due to the common practice of percentages being rounded to the nearest whole number.

The data for the opt-in survey are presented separately in the report titled Supplemental Online Survey Results.

Appendix D: Survey Materials

Dear Bethlehem Township Resident,

It won't take much of your time to make a big difference!

Your household has been randomly selected to participate in a survey about our community. Your survey will arrive in a few days.

Thank you for helping create a better Township!

Sincerely,

Melissa A. Shafer Township Manager

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January 2018

Dear Township of Bethlehem Resident:

Please help us shape the future of Bethlehem Township! You have been selected at random to participate in the 2018 Bethlehem Township Citizen Survey.

Please take a few minutes to fill out the enclosed survey. Your participation in this survey is very important — especially since your household is one of only a small number of households being surveyed. Your feedback will help Bethlehem Township make decisions that affect our community.

A few things to remember:

- Your responses are completely anonymous.
- In order to hear from a diverse group of residents, the adult 18 years or older in your household who most recently had a birthday should complete this survey.
- You may return the survey by mail in the enclosed postage-paid envelope, or you can complete the survey online at:

http://bit.ly/bethlehem2018

If you have any questions about the survey please call 610-814-6405.

Thank you for your time and participation!

Sincerely,

Melissa A. Shafer Township Manager

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January 2018

Dear Township of Bethlehem Resident:

Here's a second chance if you haven't already responded to the 2018 Bethlehem Township Citizen Survey! (If you completed it and sent it back, we thank you for your time and ask you to recycle this survey. Please do not respond twice.)

Please help us shape the future of Bethlehem Township! You have been selected at random to participate in the 2018 Bethlehem Township Citizen Survey.

Please take a few minutes to fill out the enclosed survey. Your participation in this survey is very important — especially since your household is one of only a small number of households being surveyed. Your feedback will help Bethlehem Township make decisions that affect our community.

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Please complete this questionnaire if you are the adult (age 18 or older) in the household who most recently had a birthday. The adult's year of birth does not matter. Please select the response (by circling the number or checking the box) that most closely represents your opinion for each question. Your responses are anonymous and will be reported in group form only.

1.	Please rate each	of the following	aspects of qualit	y of life in Bethlehem	Township:

<u>Excellent</u>	t Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know
Bethlehem Township as a place to live1	2	3	4	5
Your neighborhood as a place to live1	2	3	4	5
Bethlehem Township as a place to raise children	2	3	4	5
Bethlehem Township as a place to work	2	3	4	5
Bethlehem Township as a place to visit	2	3	4	5
Bethlehem Township as a place to retire1	2	3	4	5
The overall quality of life in Bethlehem Township	2	3	4	5

2. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Bethlehem Township as a whole:

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know
Overall feeling of safety in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	1	2	3	4	5
Quality of overall natural environment in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5
Overall "built environment" of Bethlehem Township (including overall	design,				
buildings, parks and transportation systems)	1	2	3	4	5
Health and wellness opportunities in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	1	2	3	4	5
Overall economic health of Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5
Sense of community	1	2	3	4	5
Overall image or reputation of Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5

3. Please indicate how likely or unlikely you are to do each of the following:

	Very	Somewhat	Somewhat	Very	Don't	
	likely	likely	unlikely	unlikely	know	
Recommend living in Bethlehem Township to someone who asks	1	2	3	4	5	
Remain in Bethlehem Township for the next five years	1	2	3	4	5	

4. Please rate how safe or unsafe you feel:

·	Very	Somewhat	Neither safe	Somewhat	Very	Don't
	safe	safe	nor unsafe	unsafe	unsafe	know
In your neighborhood during the day	1	2	3	4	5	6
In Bethlehem Township's downtown/commercial						
area during the day	1	2	3	4	5	6

5. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Bethlehem Township as a whole:

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Don't know
Traffic flow on major streets	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by car in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by public transportation in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of travel by bicycle in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5
Ease of walking in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of paths and walking trails		2	3	4	5
Air quality	1	2	3	4	5
Cleanliness of Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5
Overall appearance of Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5
Public places where people want to spend time	1	2	3	4	5
Variety of housing options	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality housing		2	3	4	5
Fitness opportunities (including exercise classes and paths or trails, etc.)1	2	3	4	5
Recreational opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality food	1	2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality health care		2	3	4	5
Availability of affordable quality mental health care		2	3	4	5



6. Please rate each of the following characteristics as they relate to Bet		_		D 1.1
Excell		Fair	Poor	Don't know
Availability of affordable quality child care/preschool	2	3	4	5
K-12 education1	2	3	4	5
Adult educational opportunities1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to attend cultural/arts/music activities1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in religious or spiritual events and activities1	2	3	4	5
Employment opportunities	2	3	4	5
Shopping opportunities	2	3	4	5
Cost of living in Bethlehem Township1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of business and service establishments in				
Bethlehem Township1	2	3	4	5
Overall quality of new development in Bethlehem Township	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in social events and activities	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to volunteer1	2	3	4	5
Opportunities to participate in community matters1	2	3	4	5
Openness and acceptance of the community toward people of				
diverse backgrounds1	2	3	4	5
Neighborliness of residents in Bethlehem Township1	2	3	4	5
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. Please indicate whether or not you have done each of the following in	n tne last 12	months.	\mathcal{N}_{o}	Yes
Made efforts to conserve water				2
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Made efforts to conserve water	1	2
Made efforts to make your home more energy efficient	1	2
Observed a code violation or other hazard in Bethlehem Township (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)		2
Household member was a victim of a crime in Bethlehem Township	1	2
Reported a crime to the police in Bethlehem Township	1	2
Stocked supplies in preparation for an emergency	1	2
Campaigned or advocated for an issue, cause or candidate	1	2
Contacted the Township of Bethlehem (in-person, phone, email or web) for help or information	1	2
Contacted Bethlehem Township elected officials (in-person, phone, email or web) to express your opinion	1	2

8. In the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members done each of the following in Bethlehem Township?

- ·		4 times month	Once a month or less	Not at all
Used Bethlehem Township recreation centers or their services	1	2	3	4
Visited a neighborhood park or Township park	. 1	2	3	4
Participated in religious or spiritual activities in Bethlehem Township	. 1	2	3	4
Attended a Township-sponsored event	. 1	2	3	4
Used public transportation instead of driving	. 1	2	3	4
Carpooled with other adults or children instead of driving alone	. 1	2	3	4
Walked or biked instead of driving	. 1	2	3	4
Volunteered your time to some group/activity in Bethlehem Township	. 1	2	3	4
Participated in a club	. 1	2	3	4
Talked to or visited with your immediate neighbors	. 1	2	3	4
Done a favor for a neighbor	. 1	2	3	4

9. Thinking about local public meetings (of local elected officials like Township or County Commissioners, advisory boards, town halls, HOA, neighborhood watch, etc.), in the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members attended or read about a local public meeting?

	2 times a	2-4 times	Once a month	$\mathcal{N}ot$	
	week or more	a month	or less	at all	
Attended a local public meeting	1	2	3	4	
Read the agenda or minutes online or on television	1	2	3	4	

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	ent Good	Fair	Poor	Don't kr
Police services	2	3	4	5
Fire services	2	3	4	5
Ambulance or emergency medical services1	2	3	4	5
Crime prevention	2	3	4	5
Fire prevention and education1	2	3	4	5
Traffic enforcement	2	3	4	5
Street repair1	2	3	4	5
Street cleaning	2	3	4	5
Street lighting	2	3	4	5
Snow removal	2	3	4	5
Traffic signal timing1	2	3	4	5
Bus or transit services	2	3	4	5
Recycling1	2	3	4	5
Storm drainage 1	2	3	4	5
Sewer services	2	3	4	5
Sewer utility billing 1	2	3	4	5
Township parks 1	2	3	4	5
* *	2	3	4	
Recreation programs or classes		=		5
Land use, planning and zoning	2	3	4	5
Code enforcement (weeds, abandoned buildings, etc.)	2	3	4	5
Animal control	2	3	4	5
Economic development	2	3	4	5
Health services	2	3	4	5
Public library services	2	3	4	5
Emergency preparedness (services that prepare the community for				
natural disasters or other emergency situations)1	2	3	4	5
Preservation of natural areas such as open space, farmlands and greenbelts1	2	3	4	5
Township-sponsored special events1	2	3	4	5
Overall customer service by Bethlehem Township employees (police,				
receptionists, planners, etc.)	2	3	4	5
Leaf collection	2	3	4	5
Bethlehem Township Community Center	2	3	4	5
Communication from the Township	2	3	4	5
Recycling center	2	3	4	5
, 0	_		1	3
Overall, how would you rate the quality of the services provided by e		Fair	Poor	Don't ka
The Township of Bethlehem Township1	2	3	4	5
The Federal Government	2	3	4	5
The County of Northampton	2	3	4	5
	2	3	4	5
The State of Pennsylvania	•		4	J
Please rate the following categories of Bethlehem Township government $Excell$		ance: Fair	Poor	Don't k
The value of services for the taxes paid to Bethlehem Township	2	3	4	5
The overall direction that Bethlehem Township is taking	2	3	4	5
	4	3	Т	3
The job Bethlehem Township government does at welcoming citizen	2	C	4	-
involvement	2	3	4	5
Overall confidence in Bethlehem Township government1	2	3	4	5
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Generally acting in the best interest of the community	$\frac{2}{2}$	3 3	4	5



13	. Please rate how important, if at all, you think it is for the Bethlehem Township community to focus on each o	f
	the following in the coming two years:	

		Very	Somewhat	Not at all
	Essential	important	important	important
Overall feeling of safety in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4
Overall ease of getting to the places you usually have to visit	1	2	3	4
Quality of overall natural environment in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4
Overall "built environment" of Bethlehem Township (including overall design,				
buildings, parks and transportation systems)	1	2	3	4
Health and wellness opportunities in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4
Overall opportunities for education and enrichment	1	2	3	4
Overall economic health of Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4
Sense of community	1	2	3	4

14. In the last 12 months, about how many times, if at all, have you or other household members used each of the following?

	2 times	2-4 times	Once a month	Not at	
	a week or more	a month	or less	all	
The Bethlehem Area Public Library building	1	2	3	4	
The Bethlehem Area Public Library e-book/audiobook service	1	2	3	4	
The Bethlehem Area Public Library bookmobile service	1	2	3	4	

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16. The Bethl	lehem Area Public Library (BAPL), located in downtown Bethlehem City, offers traditional library
services,	as well as offsite services such as bookmobile and online lending of e-books and audio books.
Bethleher	n Township has an agreement with the BAPL to pay \$17.55 per person per year, which is an annua
cost in Be	ethlehem Township tax dollars of \$416,462 per year. Should Bethlehem Township continue to pay
\$416,462]	per year to the Bethlehem Area Public Library?

0	Yes

O No

16a.	Please indicate the extent to which you agree or disagree that Bethlehem Township should consider
	establishing its own public library if the same services were provided for less than the amount paid to
	maintain membership in the Bethlehem Area Library:

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	Strongly	agree

O Somewhat agree	
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\cap	Don't	1

17. To what extent, if at all, are you worried personally about each of the following environmental issues in Bethlehem Township?

	Extremely	Very	A little	$\mathcal{N}ot$	Don't
	worried	worried	worried	worried	know
Pollution of drinking water	1	2	3	4	5
Contamination of rivers, lakes and reservoirs	1	2	3	4	5
Loss of natural habitat for wildlife	1	2	3	4	5
Air pollution	1	2	3	4	5
Extinction of plant and animal species	1	2	3	4	5
Suburban sprawl and loss of open spaces	1	2	3	4	5
Flooding impacting your property	1	2	3	4	5
Flooding impacting travel in Bethlehem Township	1	2	3	4	5

18.	. Please rate how familiar you are, if at all, with the Janet Johnston Housenick & William D. H	Iousenicl
	Memorial Park in the Township of Bethlehem:	

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O Somewhat familiar

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19. The Johnston Mansion was left to the Township and is in need of repair. Please indicate your level of support for restoring the mansion as a possible venue for event rentals, Township programs, etc.?

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20. Please indicate how likely, if at all, you and/or members of your household would be to participate in each of the following types of recreation programs?

	Very	Somewhat	Not at all
	likely	likely	likely
Preschool Programs	1	2	3
Youth Sports		2	3
Adult Sports	1	2	3
Educational Classes	1	2	3
Arts & Crafts	1	2	3
Family Activities & Special Events	1	2	3
Social Activities (dance, theater, music, etc.)	1	2	3
Lifetime Sports (golf, tennis, biking, etc.)		2	3
Outdoor Recreation	1	2	3
Youth After School Programs	1	2	3

21. Please indicate how much of a source, if at all, you consider each of the following to be for obtaining information about the Township government and its activities, events and services:

	Major	Minor	Not a	
	source	source	source	
Township newsletter (mail)	1	2	3	
Local newspaper (print)		2	3	
Local newspaper (online)	1	2	3	
Township blog	1	2	3	
Township communications via social media (i.e. Facebook, Twitter or YouTube)	1	2	3	
Township website (www.Bethlehem Townshiptwp.com)	1	2	3	
Word-of-mouth	1	2	3	



Our last questions are about you and your household. Again, all of your responses to this survey are completely anonymous and will be reported in group form only.

How often, if at all, do you do each of the following,	conside	Never	Rarely	s you could Sometimes	. ? Usually	Always
Recycle at home			2	3	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
urchase goods or services from a business located in Bethlel			2	3	4	5
t at least 5 portions of fruits and vegetables a day			2	3	4	5
icipate in moderate or vigorous physical activity			2	3	4	5
ad or watch local news (via television, paper, computer, et			2	3	4	5
e in local elections			2	3	4	5
ald you say that in general your health is: xcellent O Very good O Good		O Fair	O.	Poor		
hat impact, if any, do you think the economy will ink the impact will be: Very positive O Somewhat positive O New			ly incom	e in the nex	t 6 month Very neg	·
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Working full time for pay		aged 65 or			-	
Working part time for pay		O No	C	Yes Yes		
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out how much is your monthly housing cost	וט.	O 18-24 year		is your age ') 55-64 years		
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