

Rappahannock Community Leader Survey

The following questions are designed to help community organizations, local governments, and businesses in the Rappahannock region assess and prioritize health, social, and other community issues. For each of the following questions, please circle the response that best describes your answer. Your responses will be kept confidential.

1. **Health Related Issues.** Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means “very satisfied” and 1 means “very dissatisfied,” please indicate how satisfied you are with local efforts to address the following issues (or needs) in the community.

Health Related Issues	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
A. Availability of quality dental services	5	4	3	2	1	9
B. Availability of quality health services	5	4	3	2	1	9
C. Availability of quality mental health services	5	4	3	2	1	9
D. Availability of quality prenatal services	5	4	3	2	1	9
E. Obesity	5	4	3	2	1	9
F. Chronic illness and disease	5	4	3	2	1	9
G. Teen pregnancy	5	4	3	2	1	9
H. Prescription assistance	5	4	3	2	1	9
I. Immunizations for children	5	4	3	2	1	9
J. Adult substance abuse (drugs/alcohol)	5	4	3	2	1	9
K. Youth substance abuse (drugs/alcohol)	5	4	3	2	1	9
L. Public education about health services that are available	5	4	3	2	1	9

2. Over the next three years, which **THREE** of the **HEALTH** related issues listed above in Question 1 do you think should receive the highest priority for action? (write your top 3 choices below using the letters from the list above)

1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice: _____ 3rd Choice: _____

3. **Crime and Violence.** Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means “very satisfied” and 1 means “very dissatisfied,” please indicate how satisfied you are with local efforts to address the following issues (or needs) in the community.

Crime and Violence	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
A. Child abuse	5	4	3	2	1	9
B. Elder abuse	5	4	3	2	1	9
C. Domestic violence	5	4	3	2	1	9
D. Violent crime (murder, robbery)	5	4	3	2	1	9
E. Non-violent crime (theft, vandalism)	5	4	3	2	1	9
F. Juvenile/youth crime	5	4	3	2	1	9
G. Sexual assault	5	4	3	2	1	9
H. Gangs/gang violence	5	4	3	2	1	9
I. Safety for children in schools (bullying)	5	4	3	2	1	9
J. Drugs (dealing and distribution)	5	4	3	2	1	9
K. Neighborhood safety	5	4	3	2	1	9

4. Over the next three years, which **THREE** of the **CRIME AND VIOLENCE** related issues listed above in Question 3 do you think should receive the highest priority for action? (write your top 3 choices below using the letters from the list above)

1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice: _____ 3rd Choice: _____

5. **Self-Sufficiency Issues.** Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means “very satisfied” and 1 means “very dissatisfied,” please indicate how satisfied you are with local efforts to address the following issues (or needs) in the community.

Self-Sufficiency		Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
A.	Availability of affordable housing	5	4	3	2	1	9
B.	Availability of affordable, accessible housing for persons with disabilities	5	4	3	2	1	9
C.	Availability of affordable, quality childcare	5	4	3	2	1	9
D.	Homelessness	5	4	3	2	1	9
E.	Hunger	5	4	3	2	1	9
F.	Services for families with financial crisis	5	4	3	2	1	9
G.	Developing a skilled workforce	5	4	3	2	1	9
H.	Job seeking skills (resume writing, interviewing, interpersonal skills)	5	4	3	2	1	9
I.	Availability of support services to assist persons with barriers to employment, including disabilities, secure employment.	5	4	3	2	1	9
J.	Money management skills (budgeting, saving, not building debt)	5	4	3	2	1	9
K.	Education about money traps (payday loans, car title loans, rent-to-own stores)	5	4	3	2	1	9

6. Over the next three years, which **THREE** of the **SELF-SUFFICIENCY** related issues listed above in Question 5 do you think should receive the highest priority for action? (write your top 3 choices below using the letters from the list above)

1st Choice: _____ 2nd Choice: _____ 3rd Choice: _____

7. **Education Issues.** Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means “very satisfied” and 1 means “very dissatisfied,” please indicate how satisfied you are with local efforts to address the following issues (or needs) in the community.

Education Related Issues		Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
A.	Dropouts/students not completing high school	5	4	3	2	1	9
B.	Early childhood development for children from birth to age 3	5	4	3	2	1	9
C.	Education for children age 4-6 (preschool, Head Start)	5	4	3	2	1	9
D.	Education for children age 6-12 (elementary)	5	4	3	2	1	9
E.	Education for children age 13-18 (middle, high)	5	4	3	2	1	9
F.	Education for children with special needs and/or learning disabilities	5	4	3	2	1	9
G.	Positive after school and summer activities for youth	5	4	3	2	1	9
H.	Character development in youth	5	4	3	2	1	9
I.	Availability of vocational education	5	4	3	2	1	9
J.	Post secondary education opportunities (community and 4-year colleges)	5	4	3	2	1	9
K.	English education for people who do not speak English	5	4	3	2	1	9
L.	Support and education for parents to develop positive parenting skills	5	4	3	2	1	9

8. Over the next three years, which **THREE** of the **EDUCATION** related issues listed above in Question 7 do you think should receive the highest priority for action? (write your top 3 choices below using the letters from the list above)

1st Choice: ____ 2nd Choice: ____ 3rd Choice: ____

9. **Issues for Seniors.** Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means “very satisfied” and 1 means “very dissatisfied,” please indicate how satisfied you are with local efforts to address the following issues (or needs) in the community.

Issues for Seniors	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
A. Availability of home health care services for the elderly	5	4	3	2	1	9
B. Availability of adult day care	5	4	3	2	1	9
C. Availability of support services for seniors (home delivered meals, home chore services)	5	4	3	2	1	9
D. Availability of quality assisted living facilities	5	4	3	2	1	9
E. Availability of quality nursing home facilities	5	4	3	2	1	9

10. Over the next three years, which **TWO** of the **Issues for Seniors** listed above in Question 9 do you think should receive the highest priority for action? (write your top 2 choices below using the letters from the list above)

1st Choice: ____ 2nd Choice: ____

11. **Other Issues.** Using a scale of 1 to 5, where 5 means “very satisfied” and 1 means “very dissatisfied,” please indicate how satisfied you are with local efforts to address the following issues (or needs) in the community.

Other Issues	Very Satisfied	Satisfied	Neutral	Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied	Don't Know
A. Availability of public transportation services	5	4	3	2	1	9
B. Availability of transportation services for seniors and persons with disabilities	5	4	3	2	1	9
C. Availability of home repair and modification assistance for elderly and disabled	5	4	3	2	1	9
D. Availability of support services for adults with developmental disabilities	5	4	3	2	1	9
E. Availability of support services for children with developmental disabilities	5	4	3	2	1	9
F. Emergency/disaster preparedness	5	4	3	2	1	9
G. Discrimination	5	4	3	2	1	9

12. Over the next three years, which **THREE** of the **Other Issues** listed above in Question 11 do you think should receive the highest priority for action? (write your top 3 choices below using the letters from the list above)

1st Choice: ____ 2nd Choice: ____ 3rd Choice: ____

13. Overall, how well do you think **health and human services organizations** in the Rappahannock region work together to meet the needs of the community?
 ___(1) Very well ___(2) Well ___(3) Okay ___(4) Not well ___(5) Not well at all ___(9) Don't know

14. Overall, how well do you think **local governments** in the Rappahannock region work together to meet the needs of the community?
 ___(1) Very well ___(2) Well ___(3) Okay ___(4) Not well ___(5) Not well at all ___(9) Don't know

15. **OVERALL PRIORITIES.** From the list of issues below, please identify **TWO** issues that you think should receive the highest priority in the community over the next three years. If you can think of an organization that should lead regional or local efforts to address these issues, please write the name of the organization in the space provided.

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| (A) Physical health/dental related needs | (H) Positive activities for youth |
| (B) Crime and violence | (I) Emergency preparedness |
| (C) Self Sufficiency | (J) Discrimination |
| (D) Education (K-12) | (K) Early childhood education (age 0-5) |
| (E) Public transportation | (L) Basic human needs |
| (F) Support services for seniors | (M) Affordable Housing |
| (G) Support services for persons w/disabilities | (N) Mental Health |

Write the letters for your top 2 choices (optional) Which Organization(s) Should Lead This Initiative?

1st Choice: _____ Organization: _____

2nd Choice: _____ Organization: _____

DEMOGRAPHICS: The following questions will be used solely for statistical analysis. Your responses will remain strictly confidential.

16. **Which of the following best describes your role in the community?** (check all that apply)

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| ___(01) Business Leader | ___(04) Government Official | ___(07) Social Service |
| ___(02) Education/
Administration | ___(05) Community Leader/
Volunteer | ___(08) Healthcare |
| ___(03) Clergy/Religious Leader | ___(06) Elected Official | ___(09) Other _____ |

17. **Do you now or have you ever served on a board of directors of a not-for-profit human service organization?**

- ___(1) Yes, currently ___(2) Yes, in past ___(3) No

18. **What is your home zip code?** _____ 19. **What is your work zip code?** _____

20. **Optional:** If you have any other concerns or comments that were not addressed in this survey, please write them in the space below (attach additional pages if needed).

If you would you be interested in receiving information regarding the findings of this study, please provide the following information:

Your Name: _____ Organization: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Thank you for your participation.

Please return this survey to ETC Institute using the postage-paid envelope provided addressed to: ETC Institute, 725 W. Frontier Circle, Olathe, KS 66061. If you have questions about the Community Needs Assessment, please call Melissa Terry at Rappahannock United Way, (540) 373-0041, extension 19. If you have specific questions about the survey please call Chris Tatham at ETC Institute, (913) 829-1215.