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The following report provides a summary of the input received through the second round of public engagement from the Summit on the Future. The Summit was an opportunity for the planning team to test the direction of major components of the Comprehensive Plan with the community and reflect on what’s been learned through the process. This was a major milestone in the planning process and the second of two rounds of engagement for defining a pathway forward for the communities of LaGrange County. For questions on this report, please contact the project manager for LaGrange County Together, Logan Stang, Senior Planner with planning NEXT, at logan@planning-next.com.

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1. INTRODUCTION

This section introduces the purpose and background for the second round of community engagement as part of the LaGrange County Together planning process.

1.1 Purpose

The LaGrange County Together Steering Committee hosted the Summit on the Future on Tuesday, February 22, 2022. Around 100 residents, community leaders, business owners, and elected officials joined the committee at the Fairgrounds Community Building in LaGrange to hear what’s been learned through the process and begin shaping strategies for the future. An additional 225 residents participated in the online summit, following the in-person event, providing input from over **325 total participants** in the second round of engagement. The responses helped shape the major components of the comprehensive plan including the draft vision statement, goal statements, and specific strategies for enhancing the communities of LaGrange County.

The second round was designed to build in the Listen, Learn, and Launch open houses to begin shaping the structure for the comprehensive plan. The event connected technical analysis conducted by the planning team with key findings gathered from the community. The result was focused on two key question prompts for the Summit: “Where do we grow?” and “How do we grow?”. Participants also had the opportunity to share thoughts, ideas, and identify anything that may be missing from the process.

This report provides an overview of the activities, key takeaways, and conclusions from the Summit on the Future that will be integrated into the comprehensive plan.



1.2 Overview

The Committee hosted the single-night event on February 22, 2022 at the Fairgrounds Community Building. This event involved sharing takeaways from the work completed to-date, results of the first round of engagement, and an introduction to the plan structure including the draft vision and goal

statements that would guide the comprehensive plan. The Summit was a structured meeting which included an initial presentation by the planning team followed by a group discussion. This built off the Listen, Learn, and Launch open houses with an emphasis on identifying the specific components that will guide the County over the next several decades. Community members also had the opportunity to share missing or additional information based on the discussion.

Following the in-person event, an online version of the activities was made available on the process website. Community members who were unable to attend the event had the opportunity to share their thoughts over a four week period. This allowed for the planning team to identify areas or communities who were underrepresented at the event and focus engagement efforts on reaching those groups.

1.3 Activities & Sources of Input

The Summit consisted of a structure presentation by the planning team with specific activities to encourage individual and group participation. The first portion of the meeting shared takeaways learned through the process to ensure everyone had knowledge of LaGrange County Together. The remainder and majority of the meeting was completing several individual and group activities that gathered input on the draft vision statement, goal statements, and strategies.

KEY FINDINGS REVIEW

The evening began with a presentation that shared the key findings and takeaways learned through the process to-date. This included an introduction to the comprehensive planning process and purpose for LaGrange County Together. The event kicked off with a summary of what was collected during the Listen, Learn, and Launch Open Houses. An overview of the emerging themes was shared for each activity that was conducted. The presentation then transitioned into a review of the technical analysis conducted by the planning team, with a focus on the emerging themes for the comprehensive plan. Key findings were shared with the community for various topics including land use, housing, roadways, infrastructure, parks and recreation, and other similar topics. The facilitator then introduced the comprehensive plan structure, outlining the importance of each component for guiding the development of the plan. This led into the individual and group engagement activities.

ACTIVITY 1: RATING THE DRAFT VISION AND GOALS

The first activity was a set of questions asking the community to rate their level of support and share their thoughts on the draft statements. Participants were asked to review the proposed vision statement for LaGrange County Together and share their reactions, thoughts, comments, and revisions. This activity intended to affirm the direction of the county and its communities while identifying portions of the statement to strengthen or remove. The facilitator then introduced the goal statements for the comprehensive plan, asking participants to rate their support for each of the five statements. The goal statements relate to the organization of the comprehensive plan and will establish the focus for topics of interest. These include:

1. Land Use and Development
2. Local Economy

3. Natural Environment
4. Roadways and Infrastructure
5. Quality of Life

The topics were derived from input received throughout the process and built on the foundation of the 2010 Comprehensive Plan. Participants shared their thoughts on whether the statements accurately and clearly defined how the county and its communities should grow.

ACTIVITY 2: REVIEW THE OPPORTUNITIES MAP

The second activity focused on identifying where in the County growth and development should be encouraged or if areas should be protected. Participants were asked to review the opportunities map, illustrating where the county should focus its resources to guide future development. Eight concepts were reviewed, identified through the analysis and public engagement, along with locations in the county that they were applied. These concepts included:



Agricultural Preservation

Conserve agricultural areas that have been identified as important to the County's identity, culture, and economy.



Rural Industry

Support existing agricultural industries and related local businesses while promoting investment that enhances the unique experiences and cultures of the County.



Lakeside Communities

Protect and promote the natural lake features while sustaining appropriate investment for the adjacent communities that enhances quality of life, accessibility, and recreational opportunities.



Community Enhancement

Build upon local businesses, existing neighborhoods, and civic assets to maintain the character while strengthening features of the community. Encourage a mix of uses, walkability and connectivity, new business, and a range of amenities for those who live and work nearby.



Community Investment

Invest in smaller, rural communities to maintain the character while encouraging improvements to public and private buildings. Support appropriate development or redevelopment of underutilized properties that benefit the community through new businesses, services, or amenities.



Focused Growth

Encourage infill development that is supported by existing utilities, public facilities, and community services. Where infill opportunities are not available, identify strategic areas for future annexation to provide development where public utilities and services can be provided.

Corridor Improvement

Strengthen the appearance of public and private development along primary, scenic corridors, to promote a positive impression of the County. (Specific safety improvements for roadways will be addressed separately in the comprehensive plan.)

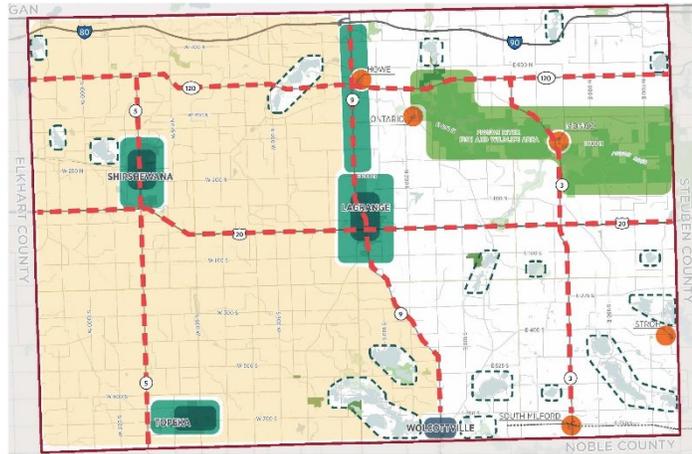
Open Space Preservation

Maintain existing natural features and open spaces while enhancing access to natural and recreational areas of the County.

Participants were asked to discuss as a group if the locations identified are appropriate, if anything should be identified differently, and if there is anything missing from this map. This discussion was focused on two central question prompts for the group:

1. Are there areas / locations in the County that should be identified differently?
2. Are there ideas about how the County should develop and grow that are not described?

A group recorder was selected to document the conversation on large maps available at each table. This included marking specific areas on the map itself along with providing written comment as to why a concept was supported or revised based on their group. Smaller versions were also prepared for people to document their thoughts individually throughout the discussion.



Example of Activity 2. The Opportunities Map identifies where each of the concepts should be applied in LaGrange County.

ACTIVITY 3: SUPPORTING ACTIONS

The third activity was intended to gather additional thoughts from participants based on the information and discussed shared. Participants were invited to share specific projects, policies, and programs that they identify as steps towards growth in the County. Each goal statement shared potential actions items identified through the first round of public engagement and technical analysis. Actions were written on individual cards and added to a collective table of steps toward realizing the vision and goals. Participants were encouraged to share potential actions during both activities.

ACTIVITY D: EXIT QUESTIONNAIRE

The final activity was an optional series of demographic questions to gather insight on who attended the event. Results from the exit questionnaire were used by the planning team to understand who was represented or underrepresented at these events to guide future outreach efforts. This allowed the Leadership Team and Steering Committee to pursue focused engagement following the Summit. An online version of the activities allowed for community members to participate after the event.

2. TAKEAWAYS FROM ACTIVITIES

The Summit on the Future gathered more than 1,500 unique comments and ideas for the future of LaGrange County and its communities. These responses will guide the development of the comprehensive plan to ensure that the recommendations support the vision for LaGrange County. This section provides an overview of the major takeaways for the three main activities offered during the second round of engagement. A full list of comments is provided in the appendix at the end of this document.

2.1 Rating the Draft Vision and Goal Statements

Participants were asked to rate their support for the draft vision and goal statements on a scale from one to five. One showed no support for the statement and that it was not accurate for the future of LaGrange County. Five showed complete support for the statement as it was presented. Participants also had the opportunity to share comments about each statement such as a phrase they did not like or something missing. A full list of written comments is available in the appendix at the end of this document. Provided below is the rating for the vision and goal statements:

VISION STATEMENT

LaGrange County is a collective of desirable communities in which to live and work, recognized for celebrating its distinct heritage and identity, growing its local businesses and industries, preserving its natural features, improving its public spaces and roadways, and enhancing its quality of life.

RATING	1	2	3	4	5	AVERAGE
VOTES	7	12	86	146	101	3.91

LAND USE AND DEVELOPMENT GOAL STATEMENT

Managing growth across the county that balances agricultural, residential, commercial, and industrial needs to provide a strong quality of place and a variety in the built environment.

RATING	1	2	3	4	5	AVERAGE
VOTES	9	13	77	147	107	3.93

LOCAL ECONOMY GOAL STATEMENT

Supporting a strong and resilient local economy that builds on longstanding traditions through job growth, entrepreneurship, flexibility, and overall vitality.

RATING	1	2	3	4	5	AVERAGE
VOTES	4	9	62	143	133	4.12

NATURAL ENVIRONMENT GOAL STATEMENT

Enhancing and preserving distinct natural features that expands accessibility, promotes sustainability, and provides recreational opportunities.

RATING	1	2	3	4	5	AVERAGE
VOTES	7	20	61	123	140	4.05

ROADWAYS AND INFRASTRUCTURE GOAL STATEMENT

Improving the safety, efficiency, accessibility, and condition of roadway and utility networks.

RATING	1	2	3	4	5	AVERAGE
VOTES	16	22	53	82	178	4.09

QUALITY OF LIFE GOAL STATEMENT

Fostering a sense of community through human services, educational opportunities, social gathering, and civic pride to elevate the quality of life of community members.

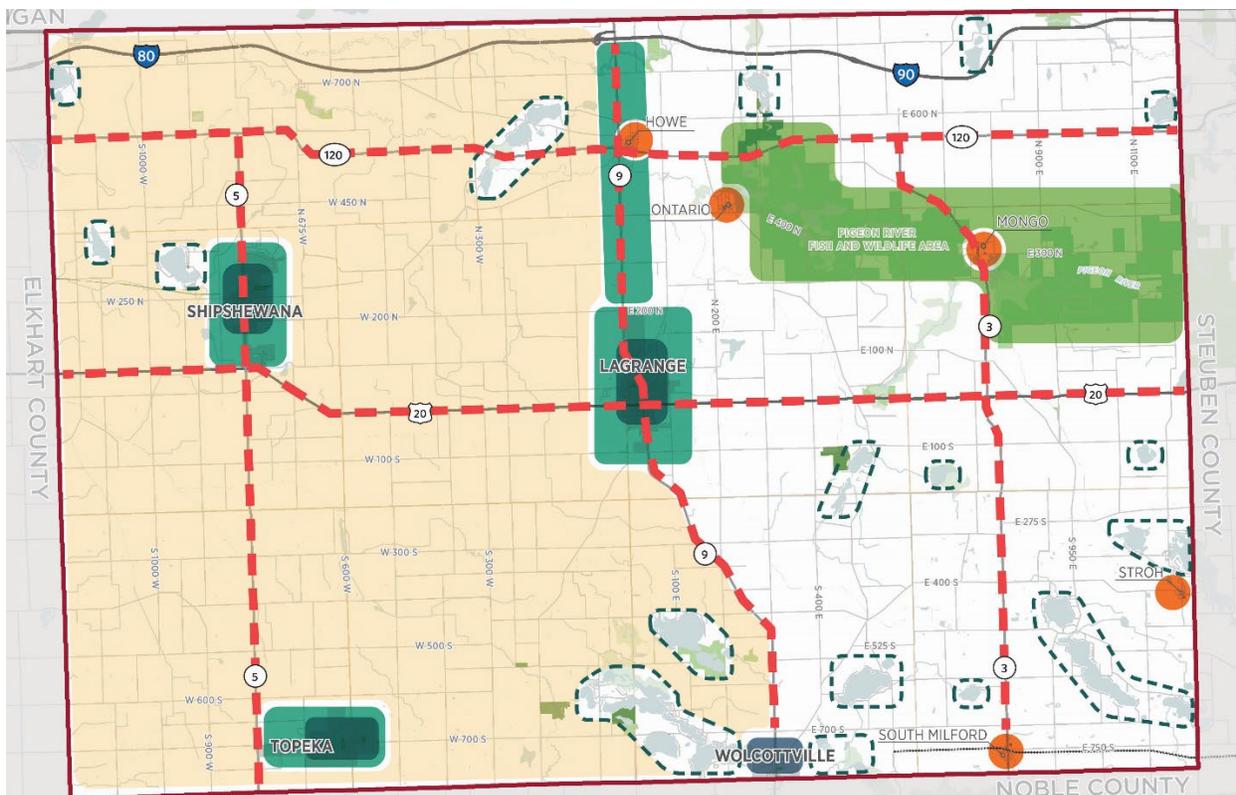
RATING	1	2	3	4	5	AVERAGE
VOTES	7	20	66	121	136	4.03

2.2 Review the Opportunities Map

Participants were asked to review the eight opportunity concepts to understand the description and locations identified across the County. As a group or through the online portal, they were asked to respond to two questions prompts when looking at the map:

1. Are there areas / locations in the County that should be identified differently?
2. Are there ideas about how the County should develop and grow that are not described?

Some responses identified specific areas to change or revise based on their experience and what exists today. Others affirmed the need for investment or development to enhance that part of the County. The remaining portion of comments referred to more specific recommendations or is better suited in other parts of the comprehensive plan. The map below shows the opportunities map as it was presented in the second round of engagement:



The full list of written comments is provided in the appendix at the end of this document. However, there were two major takeaways from the opportunities map. The first is the importance of road corridors for both local travel and freight traffic. Many corridors were identified for their relationship to local industries or connectivity between communities. Based on the feedback shared, more emphasis should be placed on the types of road corridors and the future investments necessary to improve them in the future. The second takeaway was encouraging growth and industry in the eastern portions of the county. Many participants shared rural industries are already occurring along SR-9, south of LaGrange and would support that growing north towards Howe. Additionally, South Milford is home to the only railroad line in the County which many felt was an opportunity to grow specific industries. An updated version of the opportunities map will be reflected in the comprehensive plan document.

2.3 Supporting Actions

Participants were asked to share potential recommendations for achieving the vision and goal statements. These could be projects, policies, or programs that they have supported or would like to see occur in their community. The actions represent a broad range of topics, the following provides a summary of responses organized around the five chapter topics (Land Use, Local Economy, Environment, Roadways and Infrastructure, and Quality of Life). This does not include all responses and is intended as an example of response shared by participants.

A. Land Use

Example responses include:

- *LaGrange County needs to look into being proactive with land acquisition, land purchased by the county could be developed into affordable housing that could attract young families to our area (which in turn would support the economy and civic offerings)*
- *Improve the look and feel of downtown LaGrange, so it gives a more welcome feeling to residents and visitors*
- *Preserve agricultural areas and less home chopping up farmland*
- *Highlight the east side of the county, farming is a worldwide industry*
- *Support quality affordable housing and workforce housing as options, specifically in communities*
- *Encourage growth starting with main streets and extending outward*

B. Local Economy

Example responses include:

- *Encourage more retail small businesses downtown to bring people to the area*
- *I would like to see more restaurants and places for people of any age to get together and have something fun to do like bowl or arcade games, even a movie theater*
- *Support the building of jobs such as local restaurants, entertainment businesses, and other local stores*
- *I think a grocery store would be very helpful to our community along with more things to do like a bowling alley or movie theater*
- *Add more entertainment places like an arcade, a water park, a forest area like Middlebury that would have lots of walking trails, a skating rink*
- *Embrace and celebrate our local businesses. No outside chain or “box” stores, especially encourage local, unique restaurants*

C. Environment

Example responses include:

- *Make Pigeon River more accessible for horseback riding and bike trails*
- *Extend the Pumpkinvine from Sturgis, MI to Shipshewana, a great use of inter-state cooperation*
- *Renewing the South Milford ballpark*
- *Clean our rivers of large debris and protect our wetlands for swimming and water access*
- *Support the idea of an indoor recreational center with tennis, pickleball, basketball, and volleyball courts*
- *Create a countywide plan for bike / pedestrian trails*

D. Roadways and Infrastructure

Example responses include:

- *Improve the roadway systems for Amish transportation that are safer*
- *Before we spend any money on new projects lets get our county roads up-to-date. They are absolutely in horrible condition.*
- *Providing more lighting at night on the roads and streets*
- *Improve the roadways to make travel safer, faster, and more efficient*
- *People need to have access to higher speed internet; how do we reach that in a growing virtual world?*
- *Find a way to reduce wear and tear on the streets from horse and buggies*

E. Quality of Life

Example responses include:

- *We need a youth building at Spruerer Park in LaGrange*
- *Support the arts for both adults and children throughout the community, this includes a variety of mediums – visual arts, music, theatre. Etc.*
- *Adding more opportunities for youth to be involved such as a sports complex, community pool, more daycares, shopping, and restaurants*
- *Something that could help the community is a local community center. The only “community place” that I know of that is family friendly is the Jayco gym in Middlebury, which is only for employees and their families.*
- *Have more community events, provide additional funding for the County fair*
- *Support a YMCA type facility that would have before and after care for children and would support a healthy lifestyle*

4. APPENDIX

The following pages list all comments received during the second round of engagement and are organized by activity. Most of the comments were submitted and documented directly by community members and may be presented without edits to spelling, punctuation, grammar, or content.

Activity 1: Rating the Draft Vision and Goal Statements

Activity 2: Review the Opportunities Map

Activity 3: Supporting Actions

Exit Questionnaire Summary

ACTIVITY 1 Rating the Draft Vision and Goals

ID	Source	A: Vision Rating	Comments
1	In-Person	4	The draft is good but how he BZA interprets is the difference
2	In-Person	5	
3	In-Person	5	
4	In-Person	5	
5	In-Person	4	
6	In-Person	5	
7	In-Person	5	
8	In-Person	4	
9	In-Person	4	
10	In-Person	3	We have members of the community moving outside of the county due to cost of living. It is a desirable place to work, but how do we continue retaining people to live in LaGrange County.
11	In-Person	4	
12	In-Person	5	
13	In-Person	5	
14	In-Person	5	The County and its citizens have to be taken advantage of a growing economy and creating a wider variety of business to encourage further growth
15	In-Person	3	Could lead the list with enhancing quality of life because all the others are in service to that goal. No real mention of agricultural or rural character.
16	In-Person	4	
17	In-Person	4	
18	In-Person	4	
19	In-Person	3	County permit system needs revamped so as to encourage new business + development. It does not encourage new business development as a result of how the permit system currently operates.
20	In-Person	5	Maybe add the word "unique". Each area of the County is very different
21	In-Person	3	BZA tries to downplay home based businesses
22	In-Person	5	
23	In-Person	4	There is a need for more industry/businesses on the east side of County. Improving roads is always a challenge.
24	In-Person	4	
25	In-Person	4	
26	In-Person	4	
27	In-Person	3	

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ID	Source	A: Vision Rating	Comments
28	In-Person	5	
29	In-Person	5	
30	In-Person	5	
31	In-Person	5	
32	In-Person	4	Our County has other cultural demographics (arabic/latino). I see routinely all of these groups respectfully meshing together with the English & Amish and think that is an additional great quality.
33	In-Person	4	Pave more roads (3200w-100n). Bike trails from Shipshe to Topeka connect to Pumpkinvine
34	In-Person	4	
35	In-Person	5	
36	In-Person	5	
37	In-Person	5	
38	In-Person	4	
39	In-Person	5	
40	In-Person	3	Would like to see more public space for youth + children especially in LaGrange and Shipshe has "The Cove Great Space"
41	In-Person	3	Should also include "preserving & promoting its natural resources" Sounds like LaGrange County has given up + just trying to save what you have. Why not try to get more greenspace?
42	In-Person	4	
43	In-Person	4	See a lack of ages addressed, maybe not necessary but I would like to see this added.
44	In-Person	3	Small unique communities. Protect the County from the activities of neighboring Counties.
45	In-Person	4	Also needs to promote new businesses
46	In-Person	4	
47	In-Person	5	I like to focus on preserving natural features, improving its public spaces + roadways, and enhancing its quality of life.
48	In-Person	5	
49	In-Person	5	
50	In-Person	5	
51	In-Person	5	
52	In-Person	4	
53	In-Person	4	It looks good on paper but let's make it actually happen!
54	In-Person	4	Encourage new businesses

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ID	Source	A: Vision Rating	Comments
55	In-Person	4	"Desirable" seems to be a subjective term depending on the source. "Recognized for" seems all-encapsulating, where I believe it's what we want to be and are working towards but aren't entirely recognized for yet.
56	In-Person	5	
57	In-Person	4	Desirable? Replace with Vibrant.
58	In-Person	5	
59	In-Person	5	
60	In-Person	4	
61	In-Person	4	Celebrating and preserving its distinct heritage
62	In-Person	3	
63	In-Person	3	
64	In-Person	4	
65	In-Person	5	Quite a run-on sentence, but I like it.
66	In-Person	3	
67	In-Person	4	Local business and farmland use
68	In-Person	5	Safety; roads are in bad shape due to the increase of truck traffic and horse shit on the roads. We need to keep our roads clean. Always do to increase traffic (truck + lake) it is greating dangerous to ride bikes with your kids.
69	In-Person	4	Housing is desperately needed. I think you have to mention something about housing. Can you say: "Growing local business, industries, and housing".
70	In-Person	5	
71	In-Person	5	
72	In-Person	5	Nailed it
73	In-Person	5	Unity is key
74	In-Person	4	Some mention of "play". Some emphasis on place to visit. (tourism)
75	In-Person	5	LaGrange County is a collective of communities but we need to make them more desireable as soon as possible. This is a great goal but not there yet. A great vision!
76	In-Person	2	I'm looking at my area and to me we are like a red headed step child. I feel like we are being stepped on and thrown to the side
77	In-Person	3	More bike trails. A safety area.
78	In-Person	5	
79	In-Person	3	Roadways are bad

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ID	Source	A: Vision Rating	Comments
80	In-Person	5	We need to maintain our roads if it does not get better then it has been in the last 10 years. (We won't have roads left in 10yrs.)
81	In-Person	3	
82	Online	4	
83	Online	4	
84	Online	5	
85	Online	4	I think that we focus so much on the history that many of the towns can't see a developing future. We need to find ways to keep those that graduate from the county here or have them return to live here after college. We need to focus on what we can do to grow our community.
86	Online	4	
87	Online	4	
88	Online	2	Any vision statement that doesn't address the significant lack of housing, which in turn neglects the potential for population growth and "attractiveness", is inadequate.
89	Online	3	
90	Online	5	
91	Online	5	I would say this draft vision statement is pretty accurate.
92	Online	5	
93	Online	4	
94	Online	4	
95	Online	5	
96	Online	5	
97	Online	5	
98	Online	3	I'm not so sure about the wording "distinct heritage and identity". There are multiple cultures working and living here. When I think identity and heritage, I feel like we are talking about the Amish because that seems to be the direction we always go.
99	Online	5	
100	Online	5	
101	Online	3	More should be done to enhance the public downtown area, (dollar general empty lot), expectations should be placed on homes in need of repair that are located on the main roads entering/exiting the downtown area.
102	Online	4	
103	Online	5	Love it. Very specific in expressing who we are and how we do it.

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ID	Source	A: Vision Rating	Comments
104	Online	5	
105	Online	4	
106	Online	4	We need to do a better job of improving our roadways - we are failing in that we are way behind in having biking corridors anywhere in the county (except for a couple miles up by Shipshewana)
107	Online	5	
108	Online	3	
109	Online	3	what is a "collective of desirable communities"? too many fancy words that don't match the rest of the tone of the statement
110	Online	2	It seems LaGrange County actually impedes growth and development, not allowing other businesses, stores and restaurants to open as they may take away from the current ones.
111	Online	4	The heritage aspect of the statement makes me nervous, as it could potentially lead to slow growth. Additionally, this might be an unappealing word to use when attempting to attract individuals with no past connection with the County.
112	Online	4	
113	Online	3	
114	Online	5	
115	Online	5	
116	Online	4	LaGrange County is a collective of desirable communities in which to live and work, recognized for celebrating its distinct heritage and identity, growing its local businesses and industries while providing an innovative, cost effective government the community can be proud of by preserving its natural features, improving its public spaces and roadways, and enhancing its quality of life. or demonstrating fiscal responsibility and professional excellence
117	Online	3	
118	Online	3	
119	Online	3	This is very well written however, the statement seem very basic and sort of vague I want something that will catch my eye.
120	Online	4	This draft vision statement is very well written, and I truly want to believe it; however, the concepts stated in this vision are generic and are widely used concepts for many counties. Actions do speak louder than words; therefore, I would like to see something done to prove what this vision states!
121	Online	2	
122	Online	5	

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ID	Source	A: Vision Rating	Comments
123	Online	4	
124	Online	4	
125	Online	4	
126	Online	3	
127	Online	5	
128	Online	4	
129	Online	5	
130	Online	4	
131	Online	4	
132	Online	3	The constant construction within LaGrange County proves that they are working for improvement however the improvements are always the same every year.
133	Online	5	I have noticed, lately, that LaGrange County has been working harder to make the communities look more aesthetically pleasing, therefore I support what has been written.
134	Online	3	
135	Online	1	The vision statement does not give a "wow" factor. The statement should be impactful.
136	Online	4	
137	Online	4	
138	Online	3	Lagrange county is definitely meets this draft vision statement however there are always upgrades that could be used. The county deserves a little bit more attention with by adding more restaurants. Many citizens often feel while in Lagrange there is no where for them to eat or hang out at.
139	Online	4	
140	Online	5	
141	Online	4	
142	Online	4	
143	Online	5	
144	Online	5	
145	Online	3	to complex
146	Online	3	Needs to be shorter to people do not get bored reading it, be short and to your point so they do not have to question what your mission statement actually is.
147	Online	3	
148	Online	2	It just feels very clunky and outdated. Lot to read and kind of difficult to read.
149	Online	4	

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ID	Source	A: Vision Rating	Comments
150	Online	3	The draft vision statement is too lengthy for one sentence and the content is slightly vague and generic; however, the mission itself is admirable.
151	Online	3	I would say that this is mostly accurate; however, the mission statement needs to be improved. The statement consistently uses the word "its" which does not look good. I would also state that Lagrange County is not the best at preserving their natural features. Use stronger words in your mission statement and maybe mention something specific.
152	Online	3	I take exception to the county being recognized for growing its local businesses. The planning and building departments seem to work hard to limit business development.
153	Online	2	Very wordy
154	Online	5	
155	Online	3	
156	Online	5	
157	Online	1	
158	Online	4	
159	Online	4	
160	Online	3	I agree with most of this statement. However, it is contradictory by using the order "preserve" - it is not possible to preserve and grow simultaneously. For example - if I want to preserve my woodlot I am unable to plant a garden or build a house. A better word is "conserve." If you leave the word "preserve" - who decides its definition?
161	Online	3	I agree with most of this statement. However, it is contradictory by using the order "preserve" - it is not possible to preserve and grow simultaneously. For example - if I want to preserve my woodlot I am unable to plant a garden or build a house. A better word is "conserve." If you leave the word "preserve" - who decides its definition?
162	Online	4	
163	Online	3	
164	Online	3	
165	Online	5	
166	Online	5	
167	Online	4	
168	Online	5	
169	Online	4	
170	Online	5	

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ID	Source	A: Vision Rating	Comments
171	Online	5	Excellent county parks
172	Online	2	Consider using a different word than "collective". That word when used as an adjective is synonymous with socialist and socialistic. Maybe use LaGrange County is made up of a "group" of
173	Online	5	
174	Online	4	
175	Online	5	
176	Online	5	
177	Online	4	
178	Online	3	
179	Online	4	
180	Online	4	
181	Online	3	
182	Online	4	
183	Online	3	
184	Online	5	
185	Online	4	The roadways are not always taken care of or desirable to drive on.
186	Online	1	It is not a desirable community, the roads are absolutely horrible
187	Online	3	
188	Online	3	
189	Online	4	
190	Online	4	
191	Online	3	
192	Online	3	
193	Online	5	
194	Online	3	
195	Online	5	
196	Online	4	
197	Online	5	
198	Online	3	
199	Online	5	
200	Online	3	
201	Online	3	

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202	Online	3	
203	Online	3	
204	Online	3	nobodys reading these questions
205	Online	4	
206	Online	4	
207	Online	4	
208	Online	4	
209	Online	4	I believe these are a good collection of ideas to live by.
210	Online	3	
211	Online	3	
212	Online	4	
213	Online	4	
214	Online	4	
215	Online	3	
216	Online	4	
217	Online	4	
218	Online	4	
219	Online	4	
220	Online	5	I dont wanna get drafted because I dont wanna be under Biden and I dont wanna die right now
221	Online	3	
222	Online	3	
223	Online	1	I don't want to get drafted.
224	Online	3	
225	Online	3	There should be more light on the roads and streets. We need to get fast food restaurants like taco bell, DQ, and coffee shops like starbucks. And a place for school kids, or just kids in general to hang out.
226	Online	3	
227	Online	4	
228	Online	3	
229	Online	4	
230	Online	4	
231	Online	5	
232	Online	4	

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233	Online	4	
234	Online	3	No comments.
235	Online	5	
236	Online	2	
237	Online	3	
238	Online	5	
239	Online	4	It's good, but it is very long and not appealing to read.
240	Online	4	
241	Online	5	
242	Online	3	
243	Online	3	
244	Online	4	
245	Online	4	
246	Online	4	fix 400 S between 1000 W and 1200 W
247	Online	5	
248	Online	4	
249	Online	3	
250	Online	3	
251	Online	4	
252	Online	4	
253	Online	5	
254	Online	4	I like it but there is one thing missing a place for kids to hang out like games center.
255	Online	4	
256	Online	3	
257	Online	5	
258	Online	4	
259	Online	4	
260	Online	2	
261	Online	4	I think we need more places to eat on Sundays and Saturdays and the roads need to be taken care of better
262	Online	3	
263	Online	4	

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264	Online	4	
265	Online	4	
266	Online	4	
267	Online	4	
268	Online	3	
269	Online	3	
270	Online	5	
271	Online	5	
272	Online	3	improving roadways? yeah right
273	Online	2	
274	Online	5	Roads are a major priority of this county. Food chains like Taco Bell and Dairy Queen are a must to come back. Entertainment would be a wonderful addition to the county.
275	Online	3	
276	Online	3	
277	Online	3	
278	Online	3	
279	Online	4	Roadways are terrible and hardly ever improved
280	Online	3	
281	Online	5	
282	Online	4	I agree with this statement. We need to focus more on our roads for sure.
283	Online	4	All good except the part about the roadways. Please fix the roadways. Please.
284	Online	4	
285	Online	4	
286	Online	4	
287	Online	4	
288	Online	5	
289	Online	2	The roads are full of potholes.
290	Online	5	
291	Online	5	I agree on the draft vision statement.
292	Online	3	
293	Online	3	
294	Online	1	

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295	Online	4	Not so sure about the improving roadways part.
296	Online	4	I agree on the draft vision statement.
297	Online	4	I agree on the draft statement.
298	Online	4	I agree on the draft statement.
299	Online	3	it could use more about making new places
300	Online	4	Having to improve the public spaces and roadways is a big one for me because I love to go outside and go to the parks around and being able to see more improvements makes me excited to see what else we could add to improve entertainment.
301	Online	5	
302	Online	5	I liek the idea of putting up roadways and public spaces.
303	Online	4	I like how they talked about preserving culture because I feel that's a big thing with Lagrange county with our whole Amish population, also a big part of this area is its local businesses so I like how that is mentioned. The thing I don't agree with is the roads. The roads here SUCK, I take 100s on my way to school each morning and the potholes are scary deep, big and bad, and I've seen little done to improve them.
304	Online	3	Improving roadways, the roads around here are not very good, some have very bad potholes. Also during the winter the back roads are very poorly plowed. Improving public spaces there is not a good spot to play sports or be active in the county.
305	Online	1	All of the businesses close much too early in the day, and most of them are not places for most teenagers to work after school. There is also not preservation of the natural features because there is just a bunch of farmland and no extra space.
306	Online	5	I think it will be a great idea. I feel like it could really approve were we live.
307	Online	4	
308	Online	4	I would personally prefer that we have more buggy lanes because as im coming in as anew driver i dont want to have to deal with buggy's.
309	Online	4	The roads are something that needs major work.
310	Online	4	
311	Online	4	
312	Online	4	
313	Online	4	I think we also need to add a little bit of a modern feel and places so we aren't stuck in a rural life in eternity but keep our identity.
314	Online	5	

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315	Online	4	
316	Online	4	
317	Online	3	
318	Online	4	seems like good idea
319	Online	2	It should stay the same.
320	Online	4	Personally i feel like public spaces need to be improved. I feel like there isn't a lot for high schoolers to do besides go out and eat. Going out to eat is fun but its nice to change things up every once in a while.
321	Online	4	
322	Online	3	Roadways are not improved compared to many nearby counties and lack a number of profitable industries and stores that members of the county will utilize.
323	Online	5	
324	Online	4	
325	Online	4	It is kind of a run-on sentence but I'm not really sure if it matters that much.
326	Online	4	i think this statement is accurate. i think LaGrange county is a fairly safe place to raise children. my parents and my grandparents and their parents grew up in LaGrange county. Maybe extending the pumpkin vine trail would be pretty cool.
327	Online	4	It sounds accurate-ish as I don't see that much change happening, but I think our community is doing okay. But thank you for noticing that the changes need some work :)
328	Online	3	I agree with the statement however I do not know if the idea or the vision itself is actually executed as it is said above.
329	Online	5	I believe it includes everything which a vision statement should include.
330	Online	5	I definitely like the wording on this as well as the content
331	Online	4	I gave this draft vision statement a four out of five.
332	Online	4	It sounds accurate-ish as I don't see that much change happening, but I think our community is doing okay. But thank you for noticing that the changes need some work :)
333	Online	4	
334	Online	5	
335	Online	4	Besides just helping grow local businesses and industries the town should try to get more name-brand shops. Also, Lagrange needs to get county workers who actually try to fix the roads and try to work rather than slack off and do a half-ass job.
336	Online	3	
337	Online	4	

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338	Online	4	It sounds accurate-ish as I don't see that much change happening, but I think our community is doing okay. But thank you for noticing that the changes need some work :)
339	Online	5	extend the pumpkin vine
340	Online	5	
341	Online	4	
342	Online	5	I believe that Amish people should be limited to what they can buy. The Amish buy up all the property in Lagrange and there is no diversity. If we could get English people in Lagrange, we could possibly see new businesses, more events planned by groups, and Lagrange could grow again. I also believe that Lagrange should get more things for people to do and more places to eat.
343	Online	4	
344	Online	4	I think that LaGrange County does do a good job at growing local businesses and celebrating it's heritage. I do not agree with the part in which the County tries to improve its public spaces and roadways. Most of the county roads in Indiana, ESPECIALLY LaGrange County lack when it comes how smooth they are, how well they are plowed, and how often they are repaired/maintained, especially when compared to our neighbor to the North, Michigan.
345	Online	5	
346	Online	5	
347	Online	5	
348	Online	5	
349	Online	3	I would say Lagrange is somewhat like that except for heritage and roadways are always messed up.
350	Online	4	
351	Online	1	they haven't improved any roadways with big potholes and bad asphalt due to buggy's and the amount of drugs in Lagrange county is a lot kids smoking in old parking lots and cops go for the people who have dark tint when there is other stuff going on . The lakes in Lagrange county are nasty and oil filled trash everywhere. People stealing stop signs causing accidents on back roads. no houses around for sale hard to get into the area or if you do its an apartment with smokers in it.
352	Online	4	
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1	In-Person	4	5	5	5	5
2	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
3	In-Person	5	5	3	5	4
4	In-Person	2	5	1	5	1
5	In-Person	4	4	2	4	4
6	In-Person	4	5	3	5	4
7	In-Person	5	5	2	4	5
8	In-Person	4	5	4	5	5
9	In-Person	4	5	5	5	5
10	In-Person	2	5	4	4	3
11	In-Person	4	5	4	4	4
12	In-Person	4	4	5	5	5
13	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
14	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
15	In-Person	1	4	4	4	3
16	In-Person	5	5	4	5	3
17	In-Person	4	4	4	4	3
18	In-Person	3	5	4	4	4
19	In-Person	5	5	3	4	4
20	In-Person	5	4	5	5	5
21	In-Person	5	5	5	5	4
22	In-Person	4	3	4	4	4
23	In-Person	4	5	5	5	5
24	In-Person	5	4	5	4	5
25	In-Person	3	4	5	4	5
26	In-Person	4	4	5	5	5
27	In-Person	4	3	5	5	3
28	In-Person	5	4	4	4	5
29	In-Person	4	4	4	4	4
30	In-Person	5	5	4	5	5
32	In-Person	4	4	4	5	4
33	In-Person	5	4	5	5	5

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35	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
36	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
37	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
38	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
39	In-Person	4	4	4	4	4
40	In-Person	5	5	5	5	4
41	In-Person	3	4	4	4	4
42	In-Person	1	3	5	5	5
43	In-Person	5	4	5	4	4
44	In-Person	5	3	4	5	5
45	In-Person	3	4	5	5	5
46	In-Person	5	4	5	5	5
47	In-Person	5	4	5	5	5
48	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
49	In-Person	5	5	4	5	5
50	In-Person	4	5	5	4	5
51	In-Person	4	5	5	5	5
52	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
53	In-Person	5	5	3	4	3
54	In-Person	5	5	4	5	4
55	In-Person	4	4	3	5	4
56	In-Person	5	4	5	5	5
57	In-Person	4	4	5	5	5
58	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
59	In-Person	4	5	4	5	4
60	In-Person	5	3	4	5	5
61	In-Person	4	4	5	5	4
62	In-Person	3	4	3	4	3
63	In-Person	4	4	3	5	3
64	In-Person	2	3	2	4	1
65	In-Person	4	4	4	5	4

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67	In-Person	5	3	5	5	5
68	In-Person	3	3	3	3	3
69	In-Person	4	2	3	3	4
70	In-Person	4	4	5	5	5
71	In-Person	4	5	5	5	5
72	In-Person	4	4	4	5	4
73	In-Person	4	5	5	5	5
74	In-Person	5	5	5	5	5
75	In-Person	5	5	4	4	5
76	In-Person	4	5	3	4	5
77	In-Person	2	5	4	5	5
78	In-Person	4	4	5	5	3
79	In-Person	4	5	4	5	5
80	In-Person	3	5	5	5	5
81	In-Person	3	3	3	5	2
82	In-Person	3	3	4	4	4
83	Online	4	5	5	5	4
84	Online	4	5	5	5	4
85	Online	4	5	5	5	5
86	Online	3	4	5	3	4
87	Online	3	4	4	4	2
88	Online	3	4	4	4	2
89	Online	2	4	2	4	2
90	Online	4	4	2	2	2
91	Online	5	5	5	5	5
92	Online	4	4	4	5	4
93	Online	4	4	4	5	4
94	Online	3	4	4	3	4
95	Online	3	4	4	3	4
96	Online	5	5	5	5	5
97	Online	5	5	5	5	5

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99	Online	3	4	5	3	2
100	Online	5	5	5	5	5
101	Online	5	5	5	5	5
102	Online	4	4	2	3	4
103	Online	3	4	4	3	4
104	Online	5	5	5	5	5
105	Online	3	5	5	5	5
106	Online	5	5	5	4	3
107	Online	4	5	4	4	5
108	Online	3	3	3	3	3
109	Online	1	3	2	2	4
110	Online	3	3	3	1	2
111	Online	5	3	5	5	5
112	Online	4	4	3	5	4
113	Online	3	5	5	5	2
114	Online	5	4	4	5	5
115	Online	4	5	5	5	5
116	Online	3	5	5	4	5
117	Online	3	3	3	3	3
118	Online	5	4	4	5	4
119	Online	4	4	4	1	4
120	Online	4	3	4	3	3
121	Online	3	4	3	3	3
122	Online	5	5	5	5	5
123	Online	4	4	4	5	4
124	Online	4	5	5	4	4
125	Online	5	4	5	5	4
126	Online	4	4	3	4	4
127	Online	4	5	5	5	4
128	Online	4	4	5		4
129	Online	5	5	5	5	5

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132	Online	3	3	3	4	4
133	Online	5	5	5	5	4
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135	Online	3	5	4	2	4
136	Online	5	2	5	5	5
137	Online	4	4	4	5	5
138	Online	3	3	4	5	4
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142	Online	4	3	4	4	3
143	Online	4	4	3	4	4
144	Online	4	3	4	5	1
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146	Online	4	5	4	3	5
147	Online	3	4	4	1	3
148	Online	3	4	4	4	2
149	Online	1	4	5	4	
150	Online	3	4	3	4	3
151	Online	4	5	4	5	4
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153	Online	4	2	4	4	4
154	Online	5	5	5	5	5
155	Online	2	4	2	3	1
156	Online	5	5	5	5	5
157	Online	3	4	4	5	5
158	Online	3	5	4	3	5
159	Online	3	5	4	3	5
160	Online	2	5	1	4	4
161	Online	2	5	1	4	4

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188	Online	3	3	1	1	4
189	Online	4	4	4	4	5
190	Online	4	4	4	4	4
191	Online	3	3	3	1	1
192	Online	3	2	2	3	3
193	Online	5	4	5	5	3

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200	Online	3	3	3	3	3
201	Online	3	4	3	2	3
202	Online	3	4	5	5	5
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220	Online	5	1	1	1	1
221	Online	3	3	3	4	4
222	Online	3	4	2	5	5
223	Online	1	1	1	1	2
224	Online	4	4	3	4	3
225	Online	3	4	5	5	5

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233	Online	4	4	3	2	4
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236	Online	2	2	2	2	2
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253	Online	4	4	5	3	4
254	Online	4	4	2	2	3
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256	Online	5	5	5	4	5
257	Online	4	4	4	4	4

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259	Online	5	5	5	5	4
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261	Online	5		4	5	5
262	Online	3	3	3	2	3
263	Online	3	4	4	5	4
264	Online	2	3	4	3	2
265	Online	4	5	5	3	4
266	Online	4	3	3	4	4
267	Online	3	4	4	5	4
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278	Online	4	4	4	4	3
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285	Online	4	3	5	2	4
286	Online	2	5	3	5	5
287	Online	4	5	5	5	5
288	Online	4	4		5	4
289	Online	4	4	3	2	4

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294	Online	3	4	3	5	4
295	Online	3	3	3	5	4
296	Online	2	4	5	5	4
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300	Online	4	4	4	4	4
301	Online	5	5	5	2	5
302	Online	4	4	4	5	5
303	Online	4	5	5	3	3
304	Online	5	5	5		
305	Online	5	5	5	2	5
306	Online	4	5	4	5	5
307	Online	4	2	2	5	
308	Online	4	5	4	3	3
309	Online	4	4	4	4	3
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312	Online	4	5	5	5	5
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315	Online	5	4	4	5	4
316	Online	3	5	3	5	5
317	Online	4	4	3	4	4
318	Online	4	5	5	3	5
319	Online	5	4	5	5	2
320	Online	4	5	5	5	5
321	Online	3	4	5	5	4

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322	Online	4	5	4	4	4
323	Online	4	4	4	4	4
324	Online	3	3	5	2	4
325	Online	4	4	5	5	5
326	Online	3	3	4	5	2
327	Online	4	4	4	3	5
328	Online	4	3	4	5	4
329	Online	4	4	4	5	4
330	Online	4	3	4	5	5
331	Online	5	4	4	5	5
332	Online	4	4	4	5	4
333	Online	5	4	5	5	4
334	Online	4	4	4	5	4
335	Online	4	4	5	4	2
336	Online	5	4	4	5	5
337	Online	3	4	3	5	3
338	Online	2	3	4	2	3
339	Online	4	5	4	3	3
340	Online	4	4	4	5	4
341	Online	3	3	4	4	4
342	Online	4	4	4	2	3
343	Online	4	4	4	3	3
344	Online	5	5	5	5	5
345	Online	3	5	5	5	4
346	Online	4	3	2	1	3
347	Online	5		5	5	5
348	Online	5	5	5	5	5
349	Online	5	3	5	5	5
350	Online	5	5	5	5	5
351	Online	4	4	4	4	4
352	Online	4	4	4	4	4
353	Online	5	3	4	1	2

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354	Online	4	4	4	4	4
AVERAGE		3.93	4.12	4.05	4.09	4.03

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1	Land Use	The BZA currently does not encourage growth
2	Land Use	How do we balance the less desirable communities within our County.
3	Land Use	Balances? Considers
4	Land Use	I think lake properties should be added as a separate residential category given their distinctiveness and opportunities
5	Land Use	It is important that the citizens of the county take responsibility to manage the further growth to protect agricultural balance.
6	Land Use	Environmental/Natural resources must be a part of the balance
7	Land Use	Agriculture in county being pushed out
8	Land Use	We are an Ag county positive on Ag. Ag has been here for many years. If you move in be aware of traffic + smells as well as late hours of field work
9	Land Use	Open minded management of growth
10	Land Use	Good- balance and preservation of who we are is important
11	Land Use	Town of LaGrange does not promote growth + housing development in the towns also businesses. It specializes in nursing homes.
12	Land Use	Very important to see businesses to be able to open throughout the community
13	Land Use	While balancing the natural areas, we need to be sustainable. More parks, trails, green space.
14	Land Use	It must also address the effects of what neighboring counties are doing that run county to local effects.
15	Land Use	Would add environmental needs
16	Land Use	Is there a similar phrase that could be used for the built environments?
17	Land Use	Add tourism
18	Land Use	Allow diversity of residential/Ag. Development.
19	Land Use	Your own research shows that LaGrange County is an Agricultural County so keep agriculture first- Balanced does not mean equal.
20	Land Use	Who decides how to manage growth? What is the balance that is desirable? Zoning regulations are frequently adjusted per request while others are denied.
21	Land Use	Instead of "managing", can it say "promoting". Managing could be interpreted as micromanaging (negative).
22	Land Use	Childcare
23	Land Use	Would also like to see recreational added to that. Parks, bike trails, hiking trails etc
24	Land Use	Housing is something that we really need to focus on. It is so important that we have housing so that other areas can thrive

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25	Land Use	Residential growth should be addressed more than the rest, though I mostly agree with this statement. There needs to be more options for affordable housing and properties.
26	Land Use	Need to really focus on some housing developments middle to upper middle class living.
27	Land Use	I think it sounds good. Don't have a clear picture on "quality of place". Perhaps a better word for place?
28	Land Use	While I like to give this a 5. I don't understand why agriculture is allowed and many farmers have tiles to prevent flooding to there crops and hundreds of thousands of gallons of run off from their farms are entering our lakes; Causing flooding I don't know why FEMA isn't concerned! Pollution chemicals from fertilizer and germs from feces(where is the environmentalist) besides we all have wells!!!! Those chemicals are leaching into our water system!!!! Maybe the farmers can find a better way to direct their water
29	Land Use	We are a very rural county, and understandably agriculture will play a strong hand, but we need to consider other needs also
30	Land Use	This isn't even a complete sentence. Exactly what are you trying to say? Land use and development should be for the people and natural elements of the county. This statement doesn't mention the word people in it at all and there is obviously zero consideration taking place for the natural world of LaGrange County since they weren't mentioned at all in the list of "balances." The people of LaGrange County, as best I can tell, like that we are undeveloped. This County appeals to me because of the lack of commercial and industrial development. We are a natural and agricultural community - own it - love it - embrace it. This statement is totally disconnected from our community and sounds like it was taken off a brochure for Elkhart or St. Joseph Counties.
31	Land Use	Sounds fine
32	Land Use	What is the plan to sustain the newly developed properties?
33	Land Use	I would like the water quality of the lakes in regards to agricultural run off to be evaluated and addressed. Also the number of large boats on small lakes needs to be addressed
34	Land Use	Struggling with wording of "strong quality of place and a variety in the built environment"
35	Land Use	I agree with this goal due to the fact that there are a wide variety of people and industries in LaGrange county that have differing needs.
36	Land Use	I like the content but the wording and sentence structure makes it sound like less of a statement and more of a suggestion.
37	Land Use	The goal statement begins with a verb, which is a little unprofessional for formal writing. The word "strong" and "variety" are too vague for any impact.
38	Land Use	I disagree that there is a variety in the built environment. I definitely agree with the variety, however.
39	Land Use	This sounds like county planners want to pick winners and losers. This normally doesn't pan out well
40	Land Use	End of statement needs to be more direct and stronger.

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41	Land Use	End of statement needs to be more direct and stronger.
42	Land Use	This is an open ended statement. Please provide a better definition of the word "manage." This statement is indicative of centralized control which hinders economic growth.
43	Land Use	This is an open ended statement. Please provide a better definition of the word "manage." This statement is indicative of centralized control which hinders economic growth.
44	Land Use	Also the preservation of our natural land and resources.
45	Land Use	Also the preservation of our natural land and resources.
46	Land Use	And includes consideration of preserving and enhancing the environment
47	Land Use	It sounds good until "to provide a strong quality of place and a variety in the built environment." That part needs to be completely removed. Why not end it at "needs"? That would sound much better.
48	Land Use	Growth must be managed
49	Land Use	im not getting drafted
50	Land Use	I believe it is important to preserve as much natural land as possible for animals and natural occurrences.
51	Land Use	The environment is already trashed so dont draft me
52	Land Use	I really don't want to get drafted, even for agricultural reasons.
53	Land Use	I support it but there isn't much variety, a lot of the same stuff is repeated.
54	Land Use	The manufacturing and agricultural industries are very strong in this area.
55	Land Use	doesn't really make sense
56	Land Use	I like te agriculture and comercial
57	Land Use	last part is confusing
58	Land Use	We need to keep our quiet life, but we need more to do especially as teenage
59	Land Use	Good message. Last half is hard to understand.
60	Land Use	Not a lot of commercial or entertainment options.
61	Land Use	i agree
62	Land Use	Something I do like that we currently have around, but I'm going to admit we are a bit bland in a lot of areas, and being able to have more places to spend time would be nice.
63	Land Use	I think we can figure out a way to save more of the woods we have.
64	Land Use	I like how it says they need to provide a strong quality of place and variety in the built environment.
65	Land Use	It sounds pretty good
66	Land Use	I feel like it is fairly good about it but there is always things we can improve.
67	Land Use	I would also enjoy having a place to go on dates with my boyfriend and not having to drive for an hour or two.
68	Land Use	I think this is very well written.

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69	Land Use	There needs to be fun stuff to do for the kids and teens.
70	Land Use	i like the idea of a strong quality of place
71	Land Use	I think we need to be more self reliant, have more fields, and have more farms.
72	Land Use	Everything seems balanced pretty well.
73	Land Use	There is an unequal ratio of agriculture to industrial businesses.
74	Land Use	i think some ideas are to make westview bigger and make more elementary schools so we can have a bigger and better school. maybe have like a community pool. also a nice park in shipshewana.
75	Land Use	Support this but I do not think the county sticks to this statement what so ever there is a extremely strong focus on agriculture and industrial which is fine in and of itself but if you are to follow what you said above then it is simply hypocritical.
76	Land Use	Yes. I think it's important to manage these fields as to provide support for small businesses and major corporations to not become monopolies.
77	Land Use	I find the wording of the second part (the " strong quality of place") not really making much sense.
78	Land Use	I gave this draft vision statement five out of five because we need to keep agriculture around.
79	Land Use	I like the fact that there is a goal to manage growth.
80	Land Use	I think that this is another thing that LaGrange County does well. The midwest as a whole is famous for its agricultural and LaGrange represents that well without overdoing it.
81	Land Use	I feel our community is close and known so I can agree with this.
82	Local Economy	May also embrace non-traditional approaches
83	Local Economy	Understanding that some change is inevitable
84	Local Economy	Do not squash our Amish or lake traditions
85	Local Economy	Possibly add something about a community supporting local business (each other).
86	Local Economy	Let's not change much as our success speaks for itself
87	Local Economy	While being sustainable in the community
88	Local Economy	Would add something to do with educational opportunities so as to have "job growth + entrepreneurship"
89	Local Economy	Times are changing, some change is needed
90	Local Economy	Flexibility is important for the economy as well as resiliency and adaptability.
91	Local Economy	We need to let/help new businesses start instead of going against it.
92	Local Economy	Flexibility is a confusing term- what does that mean for this goal?
93	Local Economy	Concerned that this objective discounts innovation. Long standing traditions are important but should not stifle innovations and emerging technologies.
94	Local Economy	Again, Maintain agriculture first

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95	Local Economy	Need to expand our economy to the extent that the community is not "held hostage" by the RV industry.
96	Local Economy	Encouraging new businesses should be included
97	Local Economy	What type of jobs are available? Many factory jobs are well reimbursed for a limited time. These aren't jobs that allow for career growth through retirement. There aren't many jobs that allow for a college degree to be an asset. Eith grade education is sufficient.
98	Local Economy	LaGrange as a county has done well by taking success and using it to create continued diversity
99	Local Economy	Could emphasize that growth be sustainable and not growth at any cost.
100	Local Economy	Too many small businesses in agriculture land
101	Local Economy	No comment
102	Local Economy	We are headed in the right direction here. Small businesses are so important.
103	Local Economy	Wonderful!
104	Local Economy	Again, this sounds fine but there needs to be resources to help encourage entrepreneurship from LaGrange citizens, especially our youth.
105	Local Economy	Great!
106	Local Economy	best one so far.
107	Local Economy	The goal statement starts with a verb, unprofessional for a goal statement. It is great otherwise!
108	Local Economy	Yes, I do believe this is accurate, but I would use a word different than that of flexibility.
109	Local Economy	like it
110	Local Economy	This is a much better statement than the first two. Thanknyou
111	Local Economy	This is a much better statement than the first two. Thanknyou
112	Local Economy	Please don't let me get drafted.
113	Local Economy	No comment.
114	Local Economy	I like the local traditions and things but we need more places to eat
115	Local Economy	Our local economy is very good.
116	Local Economy	As a younger student, I don't like the whole push of the "tradition." Sort of offputting.
117	Local Economy	I like seeing all the businesses that are around and seeing new smaller ones slowly starting to develop so being able to have more businesses come up and more opportunities for jobs sounds like a nice development
118	Local Economy	Yes i agree
119	Local Economy	One nice thing about Lagrange county is all the local business that have lasted here for years and they have not much of a sign of slowing down so that's a really good thing.
120	Local Economy	I think this targets a lot of older and middle aged people.
121	Local Economy	local things to me always seem like a good idea, it makes the people there like it more if its a local economy.

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122	Local Economy	Have more commercial buildings and more attractions.
123	Local Economy	The county is stuck in the 1990's and lacks modernization.
124	Local Economy	If we had more businesses of a greater variety, this could boost our economy. It would also offer more job opportunities in the area.
125	Local Economy	i think having more jobs and businesses would be very great for the community.
126	Local Economy	Statement is fine but the jobs around these parts do not build long standing careers which goes against the statement most jobs are factories which do not value the workers themselves and value them more as resources which does not build lasting and fulfilling careers.
127	Local Economy	Yea. I believe this statement truly exemplifies how Lagrange has been run and hopefully will continue to be ran.
128	Local Economy	Still good overall.
129	Local Economy	I gave this draft vision a four out of five.
130	Local Economy	Building up the economy is a great way to get more things in Lagrange.
131	Local Economy	Indiana is a good state for entrepreneurship as well as growth when it comes to most jobs.
132	Environment	Regarding the recreational opportunities, I do not think there is intent in the recreational opportunities to be promoted to persuade/citizen outreach of LaGrange County
133	Environment	The County has many resources that can be enjoyed by many. It is important that we continue to manage them.
134	Environment	This could +should be funded by user fees- Trails. We also need to protect ag that is along the trails. We have people wandering off the pumpkinvine in to private property where livestock are. Safety + biological concerns! For both livestock + people.
135	Environment	Trails are important + roadway travel for walkers+bikes. Add "and utilizing these to their fullest extent".
136	Environment	Wording is a little confusing. Maybe clearer.
137	Environment	don't forget to highlight the parks within each city as well as county- splash pad, skate park etc..
138	Environment	Our area does very well
139	Environment	yes
140	Environment	This is one of the most unique things about LaGrange Coutny. Support INDNR to protect these valuable resources.
141	Environment	Need more recreational opportunities. Love it! Be more specific maybe like so many trails or miles developed of trails to major land marks
142	Environment	Old buildings - we tear down. Then go to Europe to see theirs!
143	Environment	Keep preserving our parks and trails while still improving our infrastructure.
144	Environment	Outdoor recreation is great in LaGrange County. I would like to see more bike trails added, such as one that could connect LaGrange, Wolcottville and Howe. I would love to see the old railroad path between LaGrange and Wolcottville turned into a usable bike trail.

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145	Environment	Not nearly enough outdoor recreation opportunities. I often travel long distances to enjoy activities such as mountain biking and hiking
146	Environment	Great!
147	Environment	We have great county parks, and they work hard and are always improving them. The leaders in the county need to bring the same work ethic to address the current and future needs of the county regarding recreational opportunities - lake quality, biking trails, etc.
148	Environment	No comment on preparing for global warming, minimizing pollution?
149	Environment	There needs to be two separate statements - one for what we want to do with our recreational natural spaces like parks, and another statement for how we will preserve distinct natural features that shouldn't become recreational spaces, like Olin Lake. Be careful putting sustainability as a goal - what exactly are you sustaining? Fertilizers and Pesticides draining into our bodies of water from farmers and ignorant lake house owners? People illegally hunting? Because that's what we are sustaining today.
150	Environment	Strongly support. Additionally, accessibility needs to include handicap access as well. For instance, better parking ability to join on the Pumpkin Vine.
151	Environment	Sustainability in regards to recreational opportunities in protecting our shorelines needs to be addressed.
152	Environment	Written well but rather generic statement
153	Environment	love the message, especially with how agriculturally and environmentally involved this community is.
154	Environment	The goal statement starts with a verb once again, and does not give any indication of why this is essential to citizens of Lagrange.
155	Environment	Providing recreational opportunities should be below that of preserving natural features. Place it in the middle.
156	Environment	Citizens should control our natural environment. I oppose the word "preserve" - it is good to have places to enjoy nature and it is nice to see it in it's natural state - but this should not be a primary objective. It should be secondary.
157	Environment	Citizens should control our natural environment. I oppose the word "preserve" - it is good to have places to enjoy nature and it is nice to see it in it's natural state - but this should not be a primary objective. It should be secondary.
158	Environment	Convince government officials to overturn the wetlands elimination legislation.
159	Environment	Convince government officials to overturn the wetlands elimination legislation.
160	Environment	Change "expands" to "expand".
161	Environment	It is important to preserve the natural world.
162	Environment	The environment is trash, don't let me get drafted.
163	Environment	No comment.
164	Environment	Good.
165	Environment	Not many recreational opportunities

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166	Environment	I like going outside and looking at the wildlife that is around so having the environment would give me more opportunities to see what else is around the town.
167	Environment	Yes i agree
168	Environment	I'm not very knowledgeable in this area of our county but I think it's a good statement.
169	Environment	Should provide a spot for people with ATV's and horses to ride on public land that is wooded with trails.
170	Environment	Most of the land is farms and there are not very many opportunities to use the land in better ways.
171	Environment	I think there are areas were we can use the empty space for entertainment.
172	Environment	the idea of preserving natural features is a great one
173	Environment	There are multiple out door recreational areas which is nice
174	Environment	Many parks are in place to serve the public.
175	Environment	Our county parks are really great! There could be more recreational areas like there have been in the past.
176	Environment	agree with this statement and as far as Lagrange county goes when it come to preserving natural and wild life Lagrange does pretty well.
177	Environment	Currently, I believe Lagrange has made given forth minimal effort in the fight for sustainability. Id like to see more shops offer non plastic options or other sources of electricity. Possibly look into light pollution and or include posts in the community that help lower pollution. For example an actual park, which is something I believe Lagrange lacks as well.
178	Environment	Recreation needs more than just natural features.
179	Environment	I gave this draft vision statement five out of five.
180	Environment	I believe that LaGrange County does a good job at preserving it's natural features but I don't see how doing that would reap the benefits.
181	Environment	I can agree with this statement because Lagrange is growing more and more within years.
182	Roadways	There is no safety currently on our roadways
183	Roadways	200 N needs to cross over St. Rt. 5 to 850 W. wo avoid Shiphewana Flea market traffic. Snow removal needs improvement
184	Roadways	Fixing roads + potholes before it gets too bad. Go to other counties for feedback- Why are their roads better?
185	Roadways	Would encourage better snow removal + fixing potholes
186	Roadways	Roadway safety nearly 0! "Winter"
187	Roadways	Add trails and bike designated lanes on roads regarding the condition of roadway..."networks"
188	Roadways	Natural gas and internet have come a long way and increase the success of the county
189	Roadways	Don't have property taxes pay for many of the projects

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190	Roadways	Let's not be afraid to plow the roads when we have snow like putting the plow down on the road! Also maintain the roads like patching before chip + sealing.
191	Roadways	More heavy traffic dirt roads need quality paving- 3200w 100n
192	Roadways	Should be a priority within towns!
193	Roadways	Build bypasses around local communities so people feel safe walking + children are safe.
194	Roadways	Roads need to have space for buggies and bikes
195	Roadways	Need more trails for walking + biking to major landmarks
196	Roadways	Should trails be added since they are often the "roadways" for the high walk/bike to work population.
197	Roadways	This is something that LaGrange County has completely neglected over the past number of years. It is pathetic how bad the roads are compared to neighboring counties.
198	Roadways	Improving and perhaps also expanding?
199	Roadways	Very important, explore ways to maintain the improvements ie: Rubber horseshoes.
200	Roadways	Why do we have roads that are an embarrassment?
201	Roadways	50 speed too high- 30 would be better. Blind going S. vehicles on quickly
202	Roadways	Limit use of county roads as horse cart training in the dark with no SMV signs. Dangerous to all! Love horses and people but not the manure.
203	Roadways	Control truck + horse damage, buggy traffic, horse shit on the roads. Clean roads are safe roads.
204	Roadways	Need more bike trails. Roads are in need for repair
205	Roadways	Snow plows need to improve. If we have a snow storm in Elkhart County, roads are clean 2 to 3 days before LaGrange Rds.
206	Roadways	I think we can continue to work on roads to make our county more desirable.
207	Roadways	I support this 200%! Our local roads deserve better maintenance then what is done to them now. Our residents and workers, Amish and english, rely on these roads for commuting to work, school etc. they are vital to our economy!
208	Roadways	The condition and safety go hand in hand. The condition of our roadways need major upgrades.
209	Roadways	Our roads need work. State Rd 9 between LaGrange and Wolcottville needs to be widened for Amish traffic. It's not a safe roadway for them. Also, SR 5 feels hazardous at times with the amount of traffic during the week.
210	Roadways	The eastern quadrant of lagrange needs sidewalk and curbing repair. Many areas are without sidewalks or curbs on Michigan st and surrounding streets
211	Roadways	Yes!
212	Roadways	Building bike/pedestrian trails should be added to this.

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213	Roadways	We are improving utility networks with the addition of the new REMC broadband, and working on a bike trail in the southern end of the county, but I feel there is still not enough consideration for safety regarding our roadways - the county roads are pretty bad (no line to mark non-passing situations, no shoulders, etc etc)
214	Roadways	No comment on roadways use for buggies and bikes? Mass transportation to support the poor?
215	Roadways	Bland. Doesn't actual say anything.
216	Roadways	Way too many of the streets and roads around LaGrange County are in horrible condition! Maybe stop focusing on 'chip and seal' so much and actually FIX the problems!
217	Roadways	Yes, deeply needed.
218	Roadways	with operational excellence and transparency
219	Roadways	This is a false statement.
220	Roadways	Fi
221	Roadways	Just remember to not leave them hanging answer one of these so what, who cares, what now.
222	Roadways	Fix the roads
223	Roadways	not entirely accurate but a good idea
224	Roadways	Started with a verb, unprofessional for a formal statement.
225	Roadways	I would add - the goal being to enhance and encourage growth and economic viability.
226	Roadways	I would add - the goal being to enhance and encourage growth and economic viability.
227	Roadways	How about roadways, trails, and utility networks? Add the word trails to it as we have a large population of Amish and we need to expand our trails across the entire county.
228	Roadways	The roads are awful.
229	Roadways	The roads are horrible
230	Roadways	This is not important to me. Don't let me get drafted.
231	Roadways	Filling in the potholes on SR 20 would be a great start for roadway conditions and safety.
232	Roadways	No comment.
233	Roadways	The potholes in our county are awful.
234	Roadways	Should make sure that cars are not going to fast so everyone could be safe.
235	Roadways	We need lots of improvements on the roads
236	Roadways	I voted 3 because we must create road for Amish people
237	Roadways	need to really bad
238	Roadways	roads are bad
239	Roadways	Roadways and utilities are essential

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240	Roadways	The roads all around me are in bad condition and and buggies make indents on the road that pull my car towards them
241	Roadways	i know several back roads that are never fixed.
242	Roadways	Sometimes construction takes forever.
243	Roadways	It's a good statement if it were true. It's not true. Please fix them more. Please. For the sake of my tires and ankles. Please.
244	Roadways	We need this the roads here are terrible. There are potholes the size of my parent's car.
245	Roadways	Cuntry roads are pure crap. The pot holes are giant and get temporarily fixed but then return to crap within a week.
246	Roadways	Too many potholes, back roads aren't plowed when there is snow.
247	Roadways	need better network service
248	Roadways	Roads do need to be improved because they do tend to be chaotic and have a lot of holes in the road.
249	Roadways	There are potholes everywhere that would be nice to have gone and if you don't have your license you really cant go anywhere.
250	Roadways	The roads here are horrible, it's scary and very dangerous to drive sometimes. Over certain potholes, I have to slow down to 10 or 20 miles per hour so that way I don't ruin or flip my car. Pleaseeeeeee fix them.
251	Roadways	The roads are really bad due to the buggies and now everyone's cars are getting destroyed.
252	Roadways	I dont feel like they are the best. They need to work on them the roads are not great and the roads dont feel very safe.
253	Roadways	we need better roads in all of Lagrange county
254	Roadways	Roads are not safe.
255	Roadways	Yes, please fix the roads. The roads around here are absolutely horrible. You can feel when you've crossed state lines, and that's not a good thing.
256	Roadways	I think some of the roads should be redone.
257	Roadways	safety is always good
258	Roadways	We need to fix the roads.
259	Roadways	Roads are pretty safe
260	Roadways	Rough roads and packed roads during tourist season.
261	Roadways	The roads definitely could use some improvement!!!!I know it is pretty expensive to redo roads but there are a ton of potholes that could at least be patched. (;
262	Roadways	Yes please
263	Roadways	Absolutely support this but the county does not do this at all no offense but the roads are simply terrible.
264	Roadways	Yes! A lot of the roads, due to beliefs, have been devastated by buggy wheels. However the lack of care during winter months, has proven to case accidents and other mechanical malfunctions.
265	Roadways	The plowing in some areas during the winter definitely needs work.

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266	Roadways	I gave this draft vision statement a five out of five because the conditions of the roads in the spring are pretty bad.
267	Roadways	Yes please
268	Roadways	Yes please
269	Roadways	Our roads need to be regulated and buggies need their own lanes or something.
270	Roadways	I honestly think that LaGrange county lacks severely when it comes to the roadway system. This is highlighted even further when county roads are the subject. Utility networks are a different story though and truthfully are pretty well maintained.
271	Roadways	I feel roadway and utility have been a big problem when it comes to Lagrange because it doesn't happen alot but when it does happen it takes so long to finish.
272	Quality of Life	More advertising
273	Quality of Life	Kids need to have a community center or some facility for kids to be able to go to and possibly retired people to do activities
274	Quality of Life	Recognition of visitors and their desire to return
275	Quality of Life	As the County continues to grow, the importance of acting together only becomes more vital. LaGrange needs better ways to broadcast informtion
276	Quality of Life	Like the ideas- maybe work on wording
277	Quality of Life	We should have an educational system in place that teaches children finance + entrepreneuralship. A county that doesn't have new business start ups will suffocate!
278	Quality of Life	Let's focus on our youth +elderly. Things to do.
279	Quality of Life	This meeting today was pretty white. No minorities? Are you also forgetting the hispanic community as well?
280	Quality of Life	Goals are to be measured- do not see how this can be measured. All others appear to be measurable.
281	Quality of Life	Support local community effort to help support safety
282	Quality of Life	Social gatherings? (plural?)
283	Quality of Life	This needs to be a focus. There isn't much to bring people together. Put a bypass on the south end of the new addition to the town of topeka instead of packing in as many houses as possible. You wait and you will be buying properties along 600A and 500 west to demolish homes so that the increase in track traffic can be accomodated.
284	Quality of Life	No comment
285	Quality of Life	Excellent!
286	Quality of Life	Not to recognize the health of the environment we live is directly related to the quality of life is a mistake and should be rectified in the goal statement.
287	Quality of Life	no comment on promoting lakes,rivers, dog parks

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ID	Goal	Comment
288	Quality of Life	Would love to see more community events such as a festival of lights downtown LaGrange after Thanksgiving! Something to build tradition.
289	Quality of Life	Strong goals that are needed.
290	Quality of Life	Could we maybe focus on being more inclusive for the growing population since that it a main point on the website descripton?
291	Quality of Life	The life goal statement begins with a transitive verb and uses "elevate", another transitive verb. The goal otherwise is admirable.
292	Quality of Life	We should be addressing the children who fall through the cracks in broken homes, abusive homes and parents with substance abuse issues. We should also be addressing social constructs to reduce the volume of these instances and publicly share our progress
293	Quality of Life	We should be addressing the children who fall through the cracks in broken homes, abusive homes and parents with substance abuse issues. We should also be addressing social constructs to reduce the volume of these instances and publicly share our progress. Preparing the next generation is paramount to long-term economic stability
294	Quality of Life	Support government officials who support this Quality of Life statement.
295	Quality of Life	Support government officials who support this Quality of Life statement.
296	Quality of Life	this survey makes me want to litter
297	Quality of Life	I like to gather with people socially, but I don't want to get drafted.
298	Quality of Life	i feel like our towns need more places for kids to hang out, like a roller rink or arcades or stuff like that
299	Quality of Life	No comment.
300	Quality of Life	Lagrange county does a great job preserving its heritage and local traditions, but there are no opportunities for new business or diversity for new ways of living. Lagrange county is only good for factories, restaurants, and tourism, bland.
301	Quality of Life	Yeah.
302	Quality of Life	Not many social gatherings, unless your amish and go to ice cream suppers.
303	Quality of Life	I do not actually know very many people and I'm not exactly the most social butterfly but I really do enjoy the aspect of being able to meet people.
304	Quality of Life	At least as far as youth go we are pretty separated. Its hard to hang out with one another except for in school and we don't really get to meet kids in other schools.
305	Quality of Life	I think we are pretty good at having educational opportunities and being social people.
306	Quality of Life	Yes and No i feel like it is fairly good and better than a lot of places but i also feel like there is a lot we can do to help improve it.
307	Quality of Life	There should be a high amount of diversity and community.

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ID	Goal	Comment
308	Quality of Life	I feel like most people in Lagrange county are happy.
309	Quality of Life	Strong sense of community within my neighbors.
310	Quality of Life	I love our tight community in Lagrange county. Also, our schools are great quality. (especially Westview) :):):)
311	Quality of Life	Sounds good
312	Quality of Life	Lagrange does this pretty well the community is pretty good.
		Yes! I love this statement. To better improve our community I think education, specifically, could go a long way. The schools in our community vary in how much they pay their teachers which in turn has an impact on how well students are taught. I believe setting a minimum wage for teachers in our area would be a massive step forward.
313	Quality of Life	I also believe having a gym of sorts or park that community members could attend would be a massive step forward.
314	Quality of Life	No comment.
315	Quality of Life	I gave this draft vision statement four out of five.
316	Quality of Life	Sounds good
317	Quality of Life	Youth activities.
318	Quality of Life	I think that it really depends on the individual whether or not they are proud to live in LaGrange county. I personally don't really feel either way. It is what it is.

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ID	Source	Concept	Comment	Location Name
1	In-Person	Rural Industry	Extend rural industry throughout the County, why is Wolcottville not gree? Let's help growth!	
2	In-Person	NA	Make big improvements on building and zoning	
3	In-Person	NA	LaGrange needs to invest in water and sewer lines to help make more suitable to build housing	
4	In-Person	NA	Land Use, we should be glad if people want to live on less acreage to save agricultural land	
5	In-Person	NA	LaGrange to Wolcottville to Topeka to Millersburg bike trails are not the #1 priority. Would be cool but we need to invest in housing first so we have people to use and support local businesses	
6	In-Person	NA	East half of county needs to invest in youth, Shipshe has "cove" for youth	
7	In-Person	NA	Lake access for non-lake people (Olivers, Atwood, etc.)	
8	In-Person	NA	Lake focus business (i.e., marina)	
9	In-Person	NA	Lake and tourism collaboration, more engagement with parks and recreation	
10	In-Person	NA	"Be a visitor in your own County program"	
11	In-Person	NA	In each community, early childhood education and career readiness	
12	In-Person	NA	Howe and Wolcottville schools need to have major function for their towns	
13	In-Person	Corridor Improvement	CR 300 N / 400 N runs halfway through the county	
14	In-Person	Community Investment	Why not highlight Emma in Orange, same as Ontario?	
15	In-Person	Lakeside Community	Why not a lake community (Emma) but Appleman lake is?	
16	In-Person	Community Investment	Why is Ontario highlighted?	
17	In-Person	Community Enhancement	Near Maplewood Nature Center	
18	In-Person	NA	There are more rural industries coming on the east side of SR-9, it doesn't stop there	
19	In-Person	NA	US 20 from 400 W to Elkhart is also more focused growth	
20	In-Person	NA	Fire department coverage is a huge concern - lack of volunteers, lack of sustainability	

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ID	Source	Concept	Comment	Location Name
21	In-Person	NA	Zoning requirements and building process needs simplified with consistency by board. Professional treatment of applicants is needed	
22	In-Person	NA	AirBnB and such rentals around lakes, collect taxes and follow regulations	
23	In-Person	NA	700 S look at the corridor for improvement	
24	In-Person	NA	Potential for development with railroad near South Milford	
25	In-Person	NA	How could we use wheel tax, food and beverage taxes to reinvest in the county and areas that need improvement?	
26	In-Person	NA	What tax dollars could go to help lake enhancement?	
27	In-Person	Corridor Improvement	600 S and 700 S to Elkhart County line	
28	In-Person	NA	Extend pumpkinvine, connect to other future trails	
29	In-Person	NA	Revamp zoning and permitting board, simplify and assist - not working!	
30	In-Person	NA	No large solar farms in southeastern county, encourage personal solar usage	
31	In-Person	NA	Trail development, connect to toher counties	
32	In-Person	NA	Improve 700 S corridor for bikes and buggys	
33	In-Person	Rural Industry	Extend rural industry along SR-9 to the east to allow for future growth	
34	In-Person	Rural Industry	Extend rural industry along US 20 east of LaGrange, 1 mile north and south of US-20	
35	In-Person	Rural Industry	Rural Industry along 120 from Howe to the intersection with SR-3	
36	In-Person	NA	Should be rural along busy roads and towns	
37	In-Person	NA	West of SR-9 should be agricultural	
38	In-Person	NA	Need more green space protected	
39	In-Person	NA	More buggy lanes on busy roads	
40	In-Person	NA	More bike trails	
41	In-Person	NA	More programs and activities for seniors	
42	In-Person	NA	Get surrounding counties on board with plan, countyline road shouldn't be a hard barrier	

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ID	Source	Concept	Comment	Location Name
43	In-Person	Corridor Improvement	I don't understand the corridor improvements. Just fix the roads, if the corridor improvement means sticking more business on every mile of these roads then absolutely not!	
44	In-Person	Focused Growth	I am not for all the development of SR-9 from the Toll Road to LaGrange. Make an industrial park close to the toll road and consolidate that development there	
45	In-Person	NA	Pigeon River horse riding camps and more RV or campgrounds	
46	In-Person	NA	No solar farms and no wind farms	
47	In-Person	NA	Expand pumpkinvine east to LaGrange	
48	In-Person	Corridor Improvement	200 N corridor improvement, west of SR-9 to Shiphewana	
49	In-Person	NA	Bike trails in LaGrange area	
50	In-Person	NA		
51	In-Person	Rural Industry	More restaurants in LaGrange, expand Shipshe concept to LaGrange Why is rural industry only the west half of the county?	
52	In-Person	NA	Zoning issues, how do we make it easier for someone to build a new home?	
53	In-Person	NA	Council and Commission meetings, why aren't they held when the working public can attend?	
54	In-Person	Rural Industry	I don't like to see agriculture developed in the western part of the county. The truck traffic from these rural industries is already disturbing the quality of life here. Where is the money coming from for this redevelopment committee?	
55	In-Person	NA	Preservation of old schools, churches, farms, scattered throughout the county - community investment	
56	In-Person	NA	Support for local college that is starting-up in Howe	
57	In-Person	Rural Industry	Ag/rural industry, more detail needed	
58	In-Person	NA	Will agricultural preservation limit housing development	
59	In-Person	NA	Sanitary sewer - lakes have limited capacity, means new housing will be constrained	
60	In-Person	NA	Shipshe - interchange added to the toll road	
61	In-Person	Focused Growth	Rail access in South Milford - only area with rail, solar could impede or limit future growth	

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ID	Source	Concept	Comment	Location Name
62	In-Person	Corridor Improvement	200 N and 200 S - both are major Amish roads - widen for bikes, significant truck traffic	
63	In-Person	NA	SR-9 buggy lanes needed	
64	In-Person	NA	Move sign on 20, just west of SR-3	
65	In-Person	NA	Building permit costs and process	
66	In-Person	NA	Develop areas around lakes, make use of current sewer systems	
67	In-Person	NA	Look at new funding source for infrastructure improvements - wheel tax, innkeeper tax, food and beverage tax, impact fees	
68	In-Person	NA	Improve sanitary sewer systems	
69	In-Person	NA	Improve roads and buggy lanes	
70	In-Person	NA	Investments of CR roads, 600 S	
71	In-Person	NA	Review high traffic county roads and add buggy lanes, they should be added as corridor improvements	
72	In-Person	NA	Expand greenspace across the county and connect with bicycle trails	
73	In-Person	NA	Cross county collaboration, better regional coordination	
74	In-Person	NA	Encourage industry in Wolcottville	
75	In-Person	Rural Industry	Looks like we are ignoring growth on the east side of the county	
76	In-Person	NA	Safety on roads due to a variety of Amish travelers	
77	In-Person	NA	Trails to alleviate situation	
78	In-Person	Rural Industry	Identifying the whole eastern side of the county as agricultural preservation is counterproductive to that whole area for growth	
79	In-Person	Focused Growth	With all the focused growth on the west side of the county, we are left out on the east side. Give us some growth, just a little is all we ask for	
80	In-Person	NA	700 S widen road	
81	In-Person	NA	Housing in LaGrange	
82	In-Person	NA	More trails and use of pigeon river area for horseback riding	
83	In-Person	NA	Broadband, other than REMC	
84	In-Person	NA	Bike trails	
85	In-Person	NA	Rural industry and infrastructure that supports it	

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ID	Source	Concept	Comment	Location Name
86	In-Person	NA	Youth, keeping them busy and offering opportunities for them to come back after college	
87	In-Person	Community Improvement	Wolcottville orange maybe?	
88	In-Person	NA	Hiking trails, bicycle trails, and horseback riding on the Pigeon River reserve	
89	In-Person	NA	As we move ahead, don't forget the east side of the county. We don't have flea market, livestock auction, etc. But we pay taxes and wish to be included in improving roads and help in getting industry and business	
90	In-Person	NA	We have the only railroad in the county, can there be opportunities?	
91	In-Person	NA	Between US-20 and US-6, CR 750 and 700 S are the main thoroughfares east to west from I-69 west	
92	In-Person	NA	We are handicapped on the east side of the county because of non taxable pigeon river area, takes 1,000's of acres of taxable land from any future development	
93	In-Person	Corridor Improvement	700 S should be marked as a corridor	
94	In-Person	Rural Industry	Rural industry is east of SR-9, halfway to SR-3	
95	Online	Keep this concept	because i love it	my home
96	Online	Keep this concept	becuase i love it	my home
97	Online	Propose a new concept	Prime bowling ally location if Shipsewana doesn't work out.	Bowling Ally
98	Online	Propose a new concept	Housing editions that are affordable(under \$200,000)	Rural land
99	Online	Propose a new concept	put more things to do in the town because there is nothing to do in this town other than some parks	topeka
100	Online	Share a comment on this area	test	test
101	Online	Keep this concept	a park for kids	Shipse Park
102	Online	Propose a new concept	I think its a small town and it need more activity's.	Topeka
103	Online	Keep this concept		Howe and st road 9 corridor

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ID	Source	Concept	Comment	Location Name
104	Online	Share a comment on this area	Beginning of bike trail to run across the county. A bike path is definitely needed from Wolcottville to Topeka and it would be nice to have it run pretty much across the county. This will help the Amish commute safely and preserve the roads and bring i	Bike path from South Milford to Topeka
105	Online	Share a comment on this area	there should be somewhere that more kids can get together or hangout with each other	shipshewana
106	Online	Share a comment on this area	Pave W 100 N between N 400 W and N 250 W	Corridor
107	Online	Share a comment on this area	Needs work.	South Milford
108	Online	Propose a new concept	I think more places to eat would be nice	food
109	Online	Keep this concept	I like it	SHipshewana
110	Online	Propose a new concept	Prime bowling ally location	Shipshewana
111	Online	Share a comment on this area	We really need to have the entire county covered with bike paths to help the Amish community, preserve our roads and bring in tourism.	Rail to trail bike path from LaGrange to Wolcottville
112	Online	Keep this concept	This is a good school	Parkside Elementary
113	Online	Share a comment on this area	This town could use a study committee to work with county and town board to re invent this town. currently a major etesore.	town of Wolcottville
114	Online		this place sucks	
115	Online	Keep this concept	I live there.	Topeka
116	Online	Keep this concept	To make sure proper maintenance is used for the park.	North Park
117	Online	Share a comment on this area	it is were i live	topeka
118	Online	Keep this concept	bc its my home	home
119	Online	Keep this concept	Condos and housing needed along SR 9 north of Howe.	Howe Luxury Condos
120	Online	Propose a new concept	there is considerable wooded area and creeks that run through this part of the county. the current open space should be encouraged to stay as such. it is vital to the water quality of the lakes. there is no county park or larger public land space in th	area extending north from Pretty Lake to US 20
121	Online	Keep this concept	My house	My House
122	Online	Keep this concept	If this is or includes the State Wildlife are, we MUST keep human encroachment from spreading to this location.	Wildlife Preservation Area

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ID	Source	Concept	Comment	Location Name
123	Online	Share a comment on this area	The addition of fast-food restaurants around town and lighting at night would be very beneficial and enjoyable by people in town. Instead of driving 30 minutes to Taco Bell citizens would be able to reach it within 5 to 10 minutes if it was located next	Shipshewana
124	Online	Propose a new concept	We need more housing in Shipshewana to support existing business and allow for growth	Shipshewana Housing
125	Online	Share a comment on this area	I think that this place can come off as trashy with the amount of houses that look horrible and that people that they have walking around there	LaGrange
126	Online	Propose a new concept	We need some of place to hang out and do things.	Gym
127	Online	Share a comment on this area	We really need to have the entire county covered with bike paths to help the Amish community, preserve our roads and bring in tourism.	Rail to trail bike path from Wolcottville to LaGrange
128	Online	Propose a new concept	lake	dinner
129	Online	Keep this concept	i want there to be a public fishing pond	my house
130	Online	Share a comment on this area	The roads are really bad and need fixed	Topeka
131	Online	Propose a new concept	I wish we could have another mexican store in downtown La Grange. I went there a lot with my family to get ingredients we needed to make food or to buy tortillas for my dad. When we went, the people were so kind, and it made me feel less lonely and I f	La Mexicana
132	Online	Propose a new concept	I support an effort to clean the waters of Lake Shipshewana to restore it to clean water for all to enjoy.	Shipshewana Lake
133	Online	Propose a new concept	Buy and develop farmland into affordable housing	Rural land
134	Online	Propose a new concept	This place is long due to be modernized. It has one widely known store... dollar general. The town right now is basically one big tourist attraction for the elderly. It desperately needs some modern known stores like a walmart, and some modern known rest	Shipshewana
135	Online	Propose a new concept	i would like to have something new built like a five lakes or a Starbucks	starbucks
136	Online	Keep this concept	I like it	LaGrange

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ID	Source	Concept	Comment	Location Name
137	Online	Keep this concept	I live near here	Chicago
138	Online	Keep this concept		US Highway 20
139	Online	Propose a new concept	To propose the build of a park	Shipshe Park
140	Online	Keep this concept	It needs to be a busy representation welcoming you to Lagrange.	9 and 20
141	Online	Share a comment on this area	Add something like a theater or maybe bring some events to town?	Topeka
142	Online	Propose a new concept		bowling ally
143	Online	Share a comment on this area	It really needs repaved and made less bumpy.	Road 900 E
144	Online	Share a comment on this area	This road needs to be fixed.	W 200 S
145	Online	Share a comment on this area	This bike trail could go through or along the Pigeon River Fish and Wildlife Area. This would bring in tourism to our community.	East to center bike/multi use trail that could connect to Pokagon
146	Online	Share a comment on this area	The building of a movie theater or cinema would be very nice and entertaining to the citizens. This could be like a well-known hang-out spot for everyone.	

ACTIVITY 3 Supporting Actions

ID	Source	Action	Chapter Topic
1	In-Person	Improve Roads	Roadways and Infrastructure
2	In-Person	To the problem with bike safety let's make a bike trail from Topeka to Shipshewana to LaGrange	Roadways and Infrastructure
3	In-Person	Revamp the board of zoning so a lot of other stuff can work, a whole new attitude	Land Use
4	In-Person	I think small rurla businesses should not have so much opposition at BZA! Home based businesses should not be governed by BZA!	Local Economy
5	In-Person	Hawpatch bike trail, community branding.	Environment
6	In-Person	Vote in favor of the new plan	NA
7	In-Person	Curbside appeal at intersection of SR 9 : US 20.	Land Use
8	In-Person	Early childhood center	Quality of Life
9	In-Person	Community brand calendar	Quality of Life
10	In-Person	A community gym for young people	Quality of Life
11	In-Person	Would like to see more bike + hiking trails. More outdoor activities	Environment
12	In-Person	Make pigion river game reserve more accessible for horseback riding and bike trails.	Environment
13	In-Person	Pave our road 100n between 250w + 400w	Roadways and Infrastructure
14	In-Person	Let's see deregulation for businesses out in rural areas such as plan commissions so we can attract more business to the county	Local Economy
15	In-Person	700s between Wolcotville & Topeka is an unsafe road as well as SR 5 between Shipshewana & Topeka. Widening those roads or a trail would be critical	Roadways and Infrastructure
16	In-Person	In a growing virtual world, people need to have access to higher speed internet. How do we reach that? How can we protect Amish businesses from being swallowed up by the digital world?	Roadways and Infrastructure
17	In-Person	We need a youth building at Spruerer Park in LaGrange. Our community has spent 13 yrs. and no common sense building	Quality of Life
18	In-Person	Protect local small communities from industrialization in Elkhart County. Traffic + speed are terrible.	Local Economy
19	In-Person	Support local community effort around Stone/Mud lake to protect itself from industrialization!	Land Use
20	In-Person	Love the county <> but they are not well known to newcomers	NA
21	In-Person	Affordable housing	Land Use

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22	In-Person	No parks or natural spaces in NW LaGrange. Increase public parks. Too much commercial development on small roads; don't forget stone Lake; we are LaGrange, not elkhart County.	Environment
23	In-Person	Better communication between government officials- return calls and emails	Quality of Life
24	In-Person	Bridging the gap between secondary schools + businesses	Quality of Life
25	In-Person	Develop better roadway systems for Amish transportation that are safer + not so close to auto transportation	Roadways and Infrastructure
26	In-Person	Wayfinding signage - CUB support	Roadways and Infrastructure
27	In-Person	Bike friendly LaGrange County - CUB support	Roadways and Infrastructure
28	In-Person	County services are screwed towards the West - Library, parks, etc. strive towards equity!	Quality of Life
29	In-Person	County road sytem is badly in need of improvement and regular maintenance	Roadways and Infrastructure
30	In-Person	Safety	
31	In-Person	Housing and infrastructure improvements	Land Use
32	In-Person	We need things for younger people to do for recreation, theater, bowling, swimming, etc.	Quality of Life
33	In-Person	We need to focus on older people in community. Sturgis has tickets you can purchase for discount meals. Also, would like to have a facility as a YMCA so we don't need to travel to k'ville	Quality of Life
34	In-Person	I have for years been trying to get something for our youth. My students (High school) continue to say they do not plan on staying here because there is nothing here for them to stay. Every time they want to do something, they go to other counties. We need to focus on growth for our youth.	Quality of Life
35	In-Person	improve the road systems around the lakes + a better plan to keep them clear in bad weather (snow removal)	Roadways and Infrastructure
36	In-Person	Growth + all that goes with it. Start with main street - it's the center + can expand from there	Land Use
37	In-Person	Make housing development easier to achieve	Land Use
38	In-Person	A dog park	Environment
39	In-Person	Revamping zoning + permit system as it directly (negatively) effects the opportunities we discussed tonight.	Land Use
40	In-Person	I would mail out a post card to all residents with the next meeting date and website to ensure everyone is aware of both	NA

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41	Online	Extend the Pumpkin Vine trail from Sturgis, MI to Shipshewana....a great use of inter-state cooperation which would extend the benefits of both Sturgis and Shipshewana.	Environment
42	Online	Extension of pumpkin vine trail towards the northeastern part of the county	Environment
43	Online	<p>LaGrange County needs to look into being proactive in land acquisition. When available land currently hits the open market, it is often gobbled up at higher-than market value by groups that pool their money in order to acquire that land for a certain group of people. Often, these groups don't bring a lot to our communities in terms of resources, trades, taxes, or educational support. LaGrange county should be proactive in reaching out to landowners before land hits the open market, trying to secure land that can be developed into affordable housing to attract young families. We are quickly becoming a retirement county, with land being gobbled up by groups who do not develop that land. Often these groups purchase large parcels(50+ acres) which are not then used efficiently, often with one or two families occupying that large chunk of land. These groups rarely relinquish said land as it often stays in that family. That same chunk of land, if purchased proactively by the county, could be developed into affordable housing that could attract young families to our area(which in turn would support the growth of our local economy and civic offerings). We have the \$\$\$ in the county to do this, with the long term positive implications greatly outweighing the short term high costs. This is a must if we want our county to survive.</p>	Land Use
44	Online	Improve, reconstruct major county roadways that see heavy traffic on most weekdays. Ex. 600 S, 700 S west of Topeka and the intersections along state road 5	Roadways and Infrastructure
45	Online	Encourage more retail small businesses downtown to bring people to the area.	Local Economy
46	Online	More housing and rentals	Land Use
47	Online	Support plans for sewers in and around the lakes so we don't have standing water .	Roadways and Infrastructure
48	Online	Support the design and implementation of the Hawpatch Trail.	Environment
49	Online	Support the Hawpatch Trail project	Environment
50	Online	Support farmers to plant native grasses and forbs in areas surrounding fields, save fence rows, and preserve small wetlands. Support woodlot owners to keep those spaces natural.	Land Use
51	Online	Support the arts for both adults and children throughout the community, this includes a variety of mediums - visual arts, music, theatre...	Quality of Life

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52	Online	Support community programs to involve a wide range of people. Food trucks, food trails, discount week, etc.	Quality of Life
		<p>a community garden in concert with a class at high school level for credit to bring together the Amish/Mennonite/Master Gardeners in our community with today's students to prep, raise, sustain a garden to give back to the community and supply our local Food and Clothes Basket, or other community service-oriented establishment, with a resource to help the less fortunate or struggling members in our community with fresh produce. I would like to see the traditions of self-sufficiency skills in agriculture to be combined with giving back to our community. There is so much wisdom and amazing people in this community who have a knowledge on gardening for the home, that it can be passed on to students who may or may not have had that experience in their own home but would like to learn and earn credit for their time and effort. Perhaps we can even come up with a working opportunity with a fund to pay students during the summer, a wage or college scholarship, to encourage participation during the summer months. Spring semester would be the learning, planning, seed growing, and planting curriculum. During the summer there would be a course for harvesting, and in the fall, a course about more harvesting and the business side of sustaining a garden over the winter, as well as having a greenhouse.</p>	
53	Online	Just another way to connect our teens with or adult / senior communities to develop relationships and communication.	Quality of Life
54	Online	Roadwayorm water control, security through lighting and speed control enforcement at Adams Lake, Wolcottville. County Road 550 E. is posted 25mph along the residential areas. Speeds exceed 60 with no regard to safety. Needs Speed alert strips and Police speed traps to get under control.	Roadways and Infrastructure
55	Online	Build an attraction. Lagrange county is a nice community but it does not have anything to attract people.	Quality of Life
56	Online	I support.	NA
57	Online	Renewing the South Milford ball park.	Environment
58	Online	Its a good design but it is very basic and not very realistic as it is very broad and has no real focus.	NA

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59	Online	Knock down older run downs homes within town that are an eye sore to everybody driving through.	Land Use
60	Online	Support the preservation of our lakes.	Environment
61	Online	Develope quality of life for all ages...	Quality of Life
62	Online	Create a focus group for this area to see what can be done to clean it up. Also remove the "drug" campers along the Pigeon River adjoining the east end of the State owned property on the east side of Scott. May want to include some of the other struggling subdivision communities in Van Buren township located near the state line. These people need help and the area needs to be cleaned up.	Quality of Life
63	Online	Support quality affordable housing and support quality affordable workforce housing as options specifically in the community	Land Use
64	Online	Clean our rivers of large debris, like televisions. Also trash pick up of large furniture items left on roadside, especially by our wetlands. Repair 250 west, from 450 n to 50 n. Keep county lake accesses looking fresh and clean for swimming. Recycling bin in Howe. Our waterways, Amish community and pretty homesteads are our biggest draw to this county hence the biggest money-makers from tourists, also they feel the most rewarding to our citizens.	Environment
65	Online	Please,please, please, before we spend any money at all on new projects lets get our county roads up to date !!! They are absolutely in horrible condition. The county Highway dept. is really failing. I suggest we get bids on private entities to get our roads improved . A higher grade of pavement needs to be utilized. Our neighboring county of Elkhart seems to be able to do it 10 times better . First we need better roads in order to utilize any new projects that would serve the community.	Roadways and Infrastructure
66	Online	Support outdoor opportunities by, for instance, adding miles to the bicycle trails	Quality of Life
67	Online	Support bike/multi use trails and help the design of them throughout the county.	Environment
68	Online	My action is to support something like a YMCA built so that everyone from kids to the elderly has somewhere to work out, run, swim, and more. I think we need somewhere to meet and be able to do something physical.	Quality of Life
69	Online	Have more dogs get adopted even older dogs no matter what kind or how it looks so there's less homeless dogs and they have a forever home and know what love is.	Quality of Life
70	Online	Supporting the cleanliness of Lake Shipshewana to restore it to it's former beauty and it would then be more enjoyable for the residents to have a cleaner lake.	Environment

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71	Online	support the design and extension of the Pumpkinvine trail	Environment
72	Online	Add Restaurants	Local Economy
73	Online	dont get drafted	NA
74	Online	support the design and expansion of the pumpkin vine trail.	Environment
75	Online	Pursue my dream of having a very successful baking business.	Local Economy
76	Online	Idk	NA
77	Online	create a business that supports agriculture.	Land Use
78	Online	A gym/fitness center	Quality of Life
79	Online	no	NA
80	Online	More big houses for english	Land Use
81	Online	None	NA
82	Online	Please fix the thirteen trillion potholes that are everywhere and on every road. You can visibly see the difference in the roads compared to Elkhart county, it goes from 70 potholes to none is 3 seconds once you cross the county line.	Roadways and Infrastructure
83	Online	Policy - most of the businesses in Shipshewana do not support or give out a military discount. I beleive it to be a problem.	Local Economy
84	Online	To do my part as a citizen and work a full time job and do what i want to do.	Local Economy
85	Online	Getting a culvers or chick fil a or something like that thats open past the evening. As well as something to do past 5 such as a bowling alley or something.	Quality of Life
86	Online	Support in more attractions for families.	Quality of Life
87	Online	stores open on Sundays and stay open over 5 p.m.	Local Economy
88	Online	I would like to see more restaurants and places for people of any age to get together and have something fun to do like bowl or arcade games, or even a movie theater.	Local Economy
89	Online	have places open a little longer. create more places for teens/kids to hang out at and have fun.	Quality of Life
90	Online	support the building of more fast food restaurants	Local Economy
91	Online	To get out of this town as soon as i graduate. This area is not for me.	NA
92	Online	I would like to see the roads fixed in LaGrange and Elkhart Counties.	Roadways and Infrastructure
93	Online	please fix all the potholes and terrible roads, it can be very dangerous for new drivers and for the horse and buggies, the horses cold break a leg.	Roadways and Infrastructure
94	Online	Having some fast-food restaurants.	Local Economy
95	Online	No I don't have anything.	NA

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96	Online	The action that I support is that we make the community a better place for the next generation or a little bit better.	Quality of Life
97	Online	supporting roadways going up	Roadways and Infrastructure
98	Online	Supports to farmers.	Land Use
99	Online	A&W back. Need chick-fil-a. Need bowling alley. Better roads. Need popeyes. Need More stores.	Local Economy
100	Online	No I have no idea what program I could implement in the future.	NA
101	Online	limit the number of puppy mills and backyard breeding in LaGrange county Improve roads and fill in potholes on country roads.	Roadways and Infrastructure
102	Online	Support the addition of a workout facility that is available for all sports like baseball, volleyball, basketball, baseball, and soccer. This would bring these options closer to our community instead of having to drive an hour or so to the closest ones.	Quality of Life
103	Online	id like to be apart of a factory	Local Economy
104	Online	I would like to see a program where people could fix the roads, perhaps even plow them occasionally when they are piled high with snow.	Roadways and Infrastructure
105	Online	We should not have solar panels taking up farmers land and lots of field space.	Land Use
106	Online	i think we should pave our roads so there isnt potholes everywhere, it would make driving so much safer because just filling them in doesnt do anything	Roadways and Infrastructure
107	Online	I wish there was more things to do as families.	Quality of Life
108	Online	Improve road quality and fill in potholes better.	Roadways and Infrastructure
109	Online	I would like to see more boutiques, like Junes Daughter, they would bring more young and older ladies in because people love little boutiques!!	Local Economy
110	Online	Should include a game center for kids to hang out.	Quality of Life
111	Online	My action is to support a design to extend the pumpinvine trail.	Environment
112	Online	I would like to see a more active road pavement team. Please fix the roads.	Roadways and Infrastructure
113	Online	to have more entertainment. Like to go bowling you need to go to Elkhart or go to a movie theater the closest is in Goshen.	Quality of Life
114	Online	nothing	NA
115	Online	repair the pot holes and redo roads that people take and the county neglects.	Roadways and Infrastructure
116	Online	Support the design and development of more fast-food restaurants in the Shipshewana area.	Local Economy

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117	Online	Shipshewana needs more considering it can be a large tourist destination and moneymaker for the county. Perhaps a couple of fast food restaurants that are open for people to get a quick bite to eat after the shows. Also, an interstate exit would be nice to bring in more money for the county, SR 5 could also be expanded. Shipshewana could also use a large, nice truck stop and convenience store.	Local Economy
118	Online	I would like to see more places where teenagers can gather and hang out with other schools. Maybe this might include a restaurant or new activity such as bowling or a commons area.	Quality of Life
119	Online	work and grow in the enviroment	NA
120	Online	Support improvement in snowplows/road cleaning services for LaGrange County. Every winter, there's a distinct difference and I can tell when I cross from LaGrange County into Elkhart County because Elkhart does a much better job (from what I've seen) of clearing the roads.	Roadways and Infrastructure
121	Online	Support the idea of having more fast food options all over the country and invest in a YMCA or a big fitness facility.	Local Economy
122	Online	Implement actions with the intention of increasing the quality of the water.	Environment
123	Online	More people need to see how bad the roads in Shipshewana are	Roadways and Infrastructure
124	Online	more places to hangout and eat ti for teenagers	Quality of Life
125	Online	Make more little parks for kids to enjoy	Environment
126	Online	We should have thing to do like having boiling ally or even more and different restuatrs.	Quality of Life
127	Online	better roads	Roadways and Infrastructure
128	Online	Supporting the idea of an indoor recreational center with tennis, pickleball, basketball, and volleyball courts	Quality of Life
129	Online	Support the introduction of local parks for kids ranging from 1-17 to all have fun and where they feel safe to stay out later with friends.	Environment
130	Online	My action is to try and not have solar panels take up the county field space making so farmers dont have as mush land	Land Use
131	Online	To modernize shipshewana into a normal town without small tourist attraction towns.	Local Economy
132	Online	I would like to see an athletic center.	Quality of Life
133	Online	I would like to see more oppurtunities for athletes to better themselves. Such as an indoor complex for baseball, along with basketball and tennis courts.	Quality of Life

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134	Online	More places for high school kids to hang out or play. Examples would be a sky zone, or bowling alley, or extending the pumpkin vine.	Quality of Life
135	Online	to add a popyes	Local Economy
136	Online	More fast food options in LaGrange.	Local Economy
137	Online	Community groups, church groups	Quality of Life
138	Online	To support whatever decisions the governing bodies of Lagrange County decide.	NA
139	Online	I support this program by participating in recreational activities and I would appreciate it if a Panda Express was established in the surrounding area.	Environment
140	Online	They should put a fun place for kids to go in Topeka such as a skating rink	Environment
141	Online	My action is to support the Foster Care and how the kids should have a place to live and not just in an abusive home.	Quality of Life
142	Online	i would support a chick-fl-a	Local Economy
143	Online	I would like to see more areas for kids to go to be able to hang out, this would be a good way to lower the rate of kids doing things that shouldn't.	Quality of Life
144	Online	Supporting the idea of an indoor recreational center with tennis, pickleball, basketball, and volleyball courts.	Environment
145	Online	I would like to see an all purpose field house where athletes can practice basketball, baseball, soccer, and other sports.	Environment
146	Online	I Would Like Put A Movie Threature In Shipshewana To Watch New Movies That Come Out To See Enterainment And Show Respect To Streets And Stopp Litttering.	Quality of Life
147	Online	to do nothing im not in athority	NA
148	Online	to support putting in more restrants	NA
149	Online	To build fast food restaurants. I do not like having the only place be McDonalds because sketchy people work there, and gas is expensive so I do not want to go all the way to Sturgis to get food.	Local Economy
150	Online	I don't have any actions	NA
151	Online	Build more fast-food restaurants, and put more stores.	Local Economy
152	Online	Have more food options.	Local Economy
153	Online	A nice fancy restaurant/steakhouse	Local Economy
154	Online	Add more fast food places and resturaunts.	Local Economy
155	Online	Add a YMCA somewhere, add more job opportunities for teens, fix up the roads so our cars aren't in the shop.	Quality of Life

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156	Online	i support this program and i would greatly appreciate a panda express in this area.	Local Economy
157	Online	support opening of a Chick Fil A and Target	Local Economy
158	Online	More restraunt options	Local Economy
159	Online	The roads are filled with potholes and need to be fixed.	Roadways and Infrastructure
160	Online	i would like to see more restaurants.	Local Economy
161	Online	park	Environment
162	Online	I will start a tennis camp program.	Quality of Life
163	Online	Support the thought of better roads and driving conditions.	Roadways and Infrastructure
164	Online	I would like that Lagrange county would have better roads then they have right now,because the roads are so bad and broken that a lot of car get bad because of the roads and it dosnt pervoid the safset way to drive in the roads.	Roadways and Infrastructure
165	Online	I'd like to see more places for people to hang out and roadways to be fixed.	Roadways and Infrastructure
166	Online	build park	Environment
167	Online	I support the design and implementation of a grand park in Shipsewana which would provide more opportunities for local people as well as tourists.	Environment
168	Online	i wish there was more places to eat.	Local Economy
169	Online	I would like to see some apartments build that are not right in town or duplexes for a little bit cheaper places to live.	Land Use
170	Online	I support this action and I would also love a panda express in Lagrange county because we need a good Chinese place and People in Lagrange County are tired of driving 1 hour or more for good food like to Fort Wayne.	Local Economy
171	Online	I would really like to see the roads around here improving for safety reasons, there are several county roads that really need to be repaired or completely redone because they are not safe at all.	Roadways and Infrastructure
172	Online	I would like to see more places put in such as work out centers and a shopping center. More things that help us not to have to travel far just to get groceries or have fun.	Quality of Life
173	Online	We want Chick Fil A, and more restaurants that are open later than 5.	Local Economy
174	Online	Put more chain restaurants and shopping centers.	Local Economy
175	Online	They should add water park in the Language county.	Environment
176	Online	support the pumpkin vine trail extension into Lagrange county	Environment
177	Online	I want to have Walmart in Lagrange county.	Local Economy
178	Online	i would helo and support and put places in =	NA

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179	Online	A bowling Ally in Shipshewanna or Topeka, the Amish and English would both go.	Quality of Life
180	Online	I wish there would be some sort of community garden or local space for small-scale agriculture and produce. A community garden would encourage community activity and not require very many resources to get started.	Quality of Life
181	Online	To support the schools and the educators throughout LaGrange County.	Quality of Life
182	Online	Providing more lighting at night on the roads and streets. Building well-known Restuarant in towns so that citizens don't have to drive very long to reach their desired places.	Roadways and Infrastructure
183	Online	I dont really have anything I would like be implemented	NA
184	Online	Support the building of jobs such as fast food, local restaurants, entertainment businesses, and other local stores.	Local Economy
185	Online	I think that more hang outs for local familys and teens would be nice. Like maybe a bowling ally, or a skating rink.	Quality of Life
186	Online	making it easier to hang with friends just to goof off.	Quality of Life
187	Online	Adding more oportunites for the youth to be involved in, such as a sports complex, community pool, more daycares, shopping, and restaurants.	Quality of Life
188	Online	I think we need to add more places for teens to hang out. Such as a restaurant or a teen center where kids can hang out after school.	Quality of Life
189	Online	make a production studio	Local Economy
190	Online	Supporting having more interactive activities in the town and more choices of things to do.	Quality of Life
191	Online	I do not have any project that i can think of at the moment.	NA
192	Online	There should be enforced that people take care of trash and their items so the sides of the roads look nicer.	Roadways and Infrastructure
193	Online	I wish we could have another mexican store in downtown LaGrange. It made me feel welcome and more calm and comfortable. My mother has to go to Sturgis to go to their stores to find ingredients she needs, and it would be so much easier if there was a store in LaGrange. Plus, with many people needing jobs, the store could supply them with one.	Local Economy
194	Online	To bring back what Shipshewana used to have, it would bring a sense of nostalgia for anybody who grew up with what we are missing out on and making sure the younger children will get a chance to do what we didn't.	Land Use

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195	Online	I believe adding a mall, or like an outlet mall would be an amazing thing to add to LaGrange county. I know I tend to feel entirely bored here, and my parents hate having to drive me an hour away to go to a mall or the movies. Plus adding a mall or outlet mall would also give job opportunities to teens or anybody in general.	Local Economy
196	Online	putting more modern restaurants and more things to do.	Local Economy
197	Online	A rec center for young teens and young adults. A park with enough variety of activity options including baseball/softball, basketball, soccer, and tennis. A skating/paved area to skate, longboard, roller blade, rip stik, and scooter.	Quality of Life
198	Online	Fix the roads.	Roadways and Infrastructure
199	Online	My action goal for the future is to create a place where teens and pre-teens can hang out, like an arcade. Create a out-let mall where there are some sit-in resteraunts, some more stores that people could get things for everyday things. We could get rid of some small buisnessis that arent that popular.	Quality of Life
200	Online	I Would Want To Put A More Fresher Grocery Store In Shipshewana Area Not Run By Amish People Like Hardings Or Meijer.	Quality of Life
201	Online	My action is to look at the statistics of small business and see which ones are doing not so great and tear them down. and in their place, create a teen hangout such as a mall. In the mall we could add food courts, shopping centers, sport center, etc. we could also add a movie theater.	Local Economy
202	Online	My action would be to add a mall and take out more of the small businesses that aren't that popular.	Local Economy
203	Online	i would like a town pool	Quality of Life
204	Online	I think we should have a restaurant like a burger joint that is affordable. A place that we can go to hangout eat, study, talk, go to before a game.	Local Economy
205	Online	Supporting the idea of putting more modern restaurants and activities in the area. For example putting a Chipotle or Chick-fil-a in and activities like Top Golf.	Local Economy

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		<p>A project , program or policy that could help the community is a local community center. There is not a single place in La Grange county that you can go to either workout, practice sports or, have family fun time. Something that I would like to see go up in the Lagrange county area is a simple community gym, where you can have the family pass for using the facilities and in a way being able to connect with others in your community. The only "community place" that I know of that is family friendly is the Jayco gym in middleburry , which is only for employees and there families, but what about those other families that want a place to go during the summer with there kids if its raining you cant take them to the park, they can become ill and we all know its not fun taking care of a sick child. Coming from out of state where we were a solid 2 min drive or 5 min bike ride away from a decently sized community facilities that contained , daycare, after school care, summer programs for kids , a swimming pool, two gymnasium's, that allowed athletes and non athletes to practice and improve in there sport, along with all of that there was a workout facility along with multiple smaller party rooms and a great banquet type room, were my three older brothers had there high school graduation open houses were it was local for all friends and people would come to wish them each luck in the next chapter in there lives. With all of this being said i feel very strongly about the fact that i think a great way to get more people in out community more active is by having a local some could call it " fun center" just to simple spend time with your families other than the every day to day life of playing board games around the table or , having to spend more time on the road to get to a place similar to what i described than being maybe a 15-25 min drive, which is better than up to almost an hour, were families are just trying to</p>	
206	Online	have fun with their kids.	Quality of Life
207	Online	The pumpkinvine extension was a very good idea! It is very close to my house now and the access point by the park is very convenient for most people in Shipshe.	Environment
208	Online	I would love to see more clubs and activities that are not shoddily supported by schools.	Quality of Life
209	Online	I think a grocery store would be very helpful to our community. I guess there is E&S but another one (maybe on Lagrange?) would be nice. A mall would be cool but I understand that the population here is very small compared to places that have malls. We just need more things to do like a bowling alley or movie theater or something. People like to have options and Lagrange County doesn't offer much.	Local Economy
210	Online	The main action to be taken in Lagrange I believe would definitely be to improve the condition of the roads they are by far the worst part of the county.	Roadways and Infrastructure

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211	Online	There needs to be more available childcare. Rainbow Years is really the only option and there are significantly more people needed childcare than what can be handled there alone.	Quality of Life
212	Online	Add a mall or like a outlet mall, and take out local stores that aren't popular or that no one goes into.	Local Economy
213	Online	You guys can deal with that i just gave you the idea.	NA
214	Online	Redoing every road. I don't care how much it costs. Please. My tires. My poor, poor tires. I just want to not have to swerve into the opposite lane to avoid popping my tires. I understand that the Amish community is one that is responsible for most of it and that it can't be avoided, but when the chip and seal crew comes through to attempt to put a bandaid on it, it just doesn't last. Maybe a couple of days, but can't even last a week. Better crews? Better material? I don't know what the answer is but the current solution is not working.	Roadways and Infrastructure
215	Online	I think we should try to build more entertainment places for teens to meet and have fun. I think we could build a sports complex that school sports teams could use or kids could meet up and play. There would be basketball courts, baseball, soccer turf, wiffle ball turf, swimming, and much more. It could be like a YMCA or kind of like the CCC in Auburn.	Quality of Life
216	Online	Add in a turf wiffle ball field near shipshewana. At least 20 people at westview play wiffelball every week in the summer. It is also a good family game that everyone could play. Also have a sports complex with wiffleball fields, a few basketball courts, maybe a football field, or maybe a driving range with a mini golf course course. Have all of those at one place. There is a place in shipshewana that has basketball courts but only amish are allowed to go. This complex would allow high school kids to improve their sports during the winter. This would also have friends grow in relationships while playing togethther. Another ideas that would be really fun would be a frisbee golf course or a community pool in the summer. If there is only one thing that lagrange county will make out of this list it NEEDS to be the wiffleball field. I know a lot of people would to play their.	Environment
217	Online	Youth rec center for teens and young adults.	Environment
218	Online	Improve the roadways to make travel safer, faster, and more efficient.	Roadways and Infrastructure

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219	Online	We need to add a sports complex including an indoor facility for basketball and volleyball. Outside their will be baseball fields, softball fields, and a turf wiffle ball field. The wiffle ball needs to be the nicest out of all the other facilities because there is no other wiffle ball fields. It also should be built first coming with bleachers, a scoreboard and lights for nighttime.	Environment
220	Online	To raise the budget of the LaGrange County Fair.	Quality of Life
221	Online	A movie theater	Quality of Life
222	Online	I would like to see the pumpkin vine extend further east of Shipshewana and throughout. It is a great was of activity and spending time with family and friends. With that more options for activities, maybe even just a large open grass space free to the public. This would be great for families getting together on the weekend to play volleyball or spikeball or ultimate frisbee. A great space to have this would be between shipshewana and topeka.	Environment
223	Online	Support mental health,	Quality of Life
224	Online	Supporting abandoned pets	Quality of Life
225	Online	I would like to see more food places in Lagrange	Local Economy
226	Online	Improve the look and feel of downtown Lagrange, so it gives a more welcome feeling and construct a multi business facility in downtown where family dollar use to stand.	Land Use
227	Online	Preserve current agricultural areas and less homes chopping up farm ground.	Land Use
228	Online	Support a different plan for the run off from farms other than dumping into already high lakes	Environment
229	Online	Create a county wide plan for bike/pedestrian trails.	Environment
230	Online	County-wide branding - there are unique things to do all over the county, not just Shipshewana	Quality of Life
231	Online	More hiking trails and biking trails that connect towns and public spaces together.	Environment
232	Online	Highlight the east side. Farming is a worldwide industry that produces a product used in several other materials than just food.	Land Use

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		<p>You can take it a step further and use the class to extend another semester (fall semester) and use it as a business model for selling produce at a local farmers market or the flea market to raise money to support the program or even to raise money based on sales for the local community needs, like the Food & Clothes Basket, homeless shelter, Elijah's Fire, etc. The possibilities are endless and can be encouraged through scholarships and credits if approved. This way we are now passing on the character qualities like: servant spirit, work ethic (hard-working & industrious), life-long learner, benevolence, just to name a few.</p> <p>This program would add to community involvement while providing learning opportunities and generational connections and encouraging support of other parts of our population that could use proceeds from the garden whether edible or financial.</p>	
233	Online		Local Economy
234	Online	Just choose one or two things to change before changing the whole county.	NA
235	Online	Support new businesses like wineries, restaurants, outdoor entertainment venues, night life, etc. to enhance our quality of life and encourage people to stay here or return here after high school and/or college.	Local Economy
236	Online	I would also like to support a place where kids and teens can go instead of going out and partying and doing unsmart activities.	Quality of Life
237	Online	Enlarge the width of 600 W by Westview High School as to enhance the safety and efficiency of driving conditions with buggies, buses, and especially is high-traffic situations like basketball games or large gatherings.	Roadways and Infrastructure
238	Online	pursue a countywide branding effort to establish a cohesive story for the communities of LaGrange county	Quality of Life
239	Online	try not to get drafted	NA
240	Online	pleasure a countrywide branding effort to establish a cohesive story for the community of LaGrange country	Quality of Life
241	Online	IDk	NA
242	Online	NA	NA
243	Online	Pursuing a "pot hole" team to go and fix the pot holes	Roadways and Infrastructure
244	Online	Expand more big grocery store like Walmart and more little shops .	Local Economy
245	Online	Have a good Zoo and more interesting games and activities.	Quality of Life
246	Online	Have stores stay open later,	Local Economy

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247	Online	Just the roads.	Roadways and Infrastructure
248	Online	adding places for kids to hang out and meet new people like arcades or roller rinks	Quality of Life
249	Online	More places to go out to eat.	Local Economy
250	Online	Have restaurants and stores stay open later.	Local Economy
251	Online	I would like to see a Buffalo Wild Wings in Lagrange, it would bring more people because you wouldnt have to drive all the way to Sturgis to get wings.	Local Economy
252	Online	Pursue a countrywide branding effort for something.	Quality of Life
253	Online	building a rller rink or a bowling alley that is in town and would make money.	Quality of Life
254	Online	Find a way to reduce wear and tear on the streets from horse and buggies.	Roadways and Infrastructure
255	Online	more job opportunities for 15 and 16 yr olds	Local Economy
256	Online	Make more biking trails for more people	Environment
257	Online	The one thing that we should have is that we have all of this land and other thing but there is nothing open on sundays and I think that if there was more places open people would get out more	Local Economy
258	Online	Fix all the country roads.	Roadways and Infrastructure
259	Online	Another action i am gonna hopefully do is not just work in the factory and try and make other jobs around hear were you can make the same amount of money.	Local Economy
260	Online	have more community events.	Quality of Life
261	Online	Add a restaurant such as Chick-Fil-A or Chipotle or both.	Local Economy
262	Online	so we don't have to go to fortwayen	NA
263	Online	Better plowing and less potholes for roads	Roadways and Infrastructure
264	Online	Chick-Fil-A	NA
265	Online	They should put better food places	Local Economy
266	Online	i would support a Starbucks	Local Economy
267	Online	I would like to support the idea of fixing all the potholes out there that are a risk to new and experienced drivers.	Roadways and Infrastructure
268	Online	I think there needs to be a public park that includes a swimming pool and other activities.	Environment
269	Online	I Would Also Put In A Football Stadium & A Team Name Like Shipshewana Sherrifs So People Could Have Something With Combat Sport And Entertainment And Forget About The Basketball And Baseball That Boring Amish Play Around Shipshewana & Lagrange Country.	Quality of Life
270	Online	redo the roads they are teribal	Roadways and Infrastructure

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271	Online	To fix the roads and put more public areas in.	Roadways and Infrastructure
272	Online	Have more activities like bowling, movie theatre, etc.	Quality of Life
273	Online	A longer pumpkin vine trail	Environment
274	Online	Make more places where people can play sports.	Environment
275	Online	i also would appreciate a milkshake dinner like a sonic.	NA
276	Online	The road markers that are painted on the roads a gone in a lot of places all around the county.	Roadways and Infrastructure
277	Online	Add more fancy diners, we need better roads theyre awful but it doesnt help with the horses and buggies. We need more malls and stores in general.	Local Economy
278	Online	Working on more places to hang out with friends and family.	Quality of Life
279	Online	I would like to have a chick-file that is close because a lot of the chick-files are like an hour away from Lagrange or Topeka	Local Economy
280	Online	An effort to achieve more people to be happy with the area and have more job opportunities for people.	Local Economy
281	Online	I wish there was less amish.	NA
282	Online	Find a local place for off road vehicles and ATV's to ride. Also for the horse community a place to ride on trails or inside a arena like the MEC.	Roadways and Infrastructure
283	Online	Also i think a roller skating rink would be a great place for kids to hang out and just something to do.	Quality of Life
284	Online	I also would really like to see more things for teenagers to do around here, such as Target, Starbux, Chick-fil-a and shops that aren't maid for torestes. It's kind of a pain for us teenagers to have to drive 30 minutes to do anything with friends.	Local Economy
285	Online	Open up a Gym/workout facility open to the community with benefits for those in the community such as, being open to only women on certain days of the week, or giving discounts to college-aged kids or students.	Quality of Life
286	Online	More real estate.	NA
287	Online	We should add go karting	Quality of Life
288	Online	make a Starbucks or five lakes coffee	Local Economy
289	Online	I want menards in lagrange you can save big money at menards.	Local Economy
290	Online	is having everyone help and make a voice.	NA

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291	Online	Repair the roads. Find the resources and workforce. Poorly taken care of roads make Lagrange county look trashy, and not to mention, they are dangerous for drivers and horses.	Roadways and Infrastructure
292	Online	It would also be very nice if there is a movie theater or cinema in the middle of the county. This could be a well-known spot for citizens to hang-out and might add a contribution to the foundation of Lagrange County	Quality of Life
293	Online	Raising the quality of the roads and frequency of repairs.	Roadways and Infrastructure
294	Online	They should add a movie theater. It would be right around here so you wouldn't have to go very far and you would have another place people and kids can go instead of getting introuble.	Quality of Life
295	Online	It would just make me, and I'm sure others, more comfortable in the community and make it more easier to make friends there than at school for me.	NA
296	Online	Extend having more shops that EVERYONE would like to go to, add more places to eat, not everyone is into chicken and pie every night or a sub, not every mom wants to cook every night they need breaks. Add more entertainment places, an arcade, a water park, a forest area like Middlebury that would have lots of walking trails, a bowling alley, a skating rink, a mini mall! There are lots of things that could bring the town of Shipshewana alive. We need to stop being a tourist town and start being a normal town. Some day, People are going to notice that a town that claims to be Amish is not that cool. It is dumb and is just another type of culture people can look up on the internet, there is no need to make a profit off of it.	Local Economy
297	Online	If not that then at least a movie theater or bowling alley/ roller skating place with an arcade could be fun.	Quality of Life
298	Online	I Would Want To Put A College In Shipshewana To Put Them In The Ncaa Like Call Them The Shipshewana Bicycles Or Shipshewana Fighting Amish Or Shipshewana Iron Horses Or Shipshewana Turkeys Or Shipshewana Scarecrows Or Shipshewana Mustangs Or Shipshewana Buggys Or Shipshewana Headless Horsemen	Quality of Life
299	Online	We should have a movie theater	Quality of Life

ACTIVITY 3 Supporting Actions

ID	Source	Action	Chapter Topic
300	Online	Something to do in the winter. The winter is fun but as we get older the hills don't seem as big to sled and we start to lose the excitement of going out in the freezing cold. I think that we should have a roller rink nearby or an indoor pool and gym I know many kids like to work out but they don't like to use there school gym. Even a bowling ally would be fun to do indoors especially in winter.	Quality of Life
301	Online	A higher amount of food options would be very enjoyable for everyone. Not having to drive one hour for chick-fil-a or other popular restaurants would be nice.	Local Economy
302	Online	An additional action to take would be to improve the areas of focus beyond just industry and agriculture.	Local Economy
303	Online	Add more places where teens and young adults can go to hang out	Quality of Life
304	Online	Pursue the building of a park open to the entire public where families and friends can enjoy each others company.	Environment
305	Online	I would also try to make more restaurants, parks, and different entertainment places.	Local Economy
306	Online	A nice park with various sports activities including basketball, softball/baseball, soccer, tennis, pickleball, and a paved skate area for skateboards, longboards, rip stiks, and scooters.	Environment
307	Online	Create numerous shopping centers in major commerce areas to enable more consumers and businesses to move into the area for more available jobs.	Local Economy
308	Online	shopping mall	Local Economy
309	Online	A drive in theater would be amazing in this area for famlies and friends.	Local Economy
310	Online	Create a county wide plan for preservation of wetlands.	Environment
311	Online	Support water quality efforts for our lakes	Environment
312	Online	Clean up Wolcottville.	Land Use
313	Online	Support a YMCA type facility that would have before & after care for children and would promote a healthy lifestyle.	Quality of Life
314	Online	Have a YMCA	Quality of Life
315	Online	Implement a YMCA style building with a local pool, 200 meter track, a gym for basketball, volleyball, and tennis, and a weight room open to the public.	Quality of Life
316	Online	Add a movie theatre for a more central location to watch movies with friends.	Quality of Life
317	Online	Adding a grocery store with fresh food and not 2 year old granola bars, there is already a Forks in Middlebury that is making a better profit than us.	Local Economy
318	Online	Adding more entertainment options. A good example would be a movie theater.	Quality of Life

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319	Online	Include several stores such as clothing and shoe stores as well as a gym that supports physical and mental fitness.	Local Economy
320	Online	Music store	Quality of Life
321	Online	Give the Amish 5 years to reconfigure their buggies so manure can be collected and not dumped on the roads.	Roadways and Infrastructure
322	Online	Embrace and celebrate our local businesses. No outside, chain or "box" stores allowed. Especially encourage local, unique restaurants.	Local Economy
323	Online	Support bike/multi use trails and help the design of them throughout the county.	Environment
324	Online	Host sports tournaments at newly built locations for enjoyment and a great source of revenue.	Quality of Life
325	Online	Add a advanced turf wiffle-ball field to encourage physical activity and a fun environment	Environment

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Summary Statistics



1	How did you hear about the Summit on the Future?	Total responses	Percent
	Word of Mouth	197	41%
	The People's Exchange	154	32%
	The LaGrange Standard	15	3%
	Facebook / Twitter / Instagram	14	3%
	Newspaper Article / Ad	12	3%
	Poster / Flyer	7	1%
	Radio / TV	5	1%
	LaGrange County Together	21	4%
	Email	28	6%
	Organization	10	2%
	Other	15	3%
	Total	478	100%

2	Were you comfortable sharing your input through today's activities?	Total responses	Percent
	Yes	54	95%
	No	3	5%
	Total	57	100%

3	Which racial group do you most closely identify with?	Total responses	Percent
	Asian	0	0%
	White / Caucasian	111	99%
	Black / African-American	0	0%
	Two or more races	0	0%
	American Indian / Alaska native	0	0%
	Other	1	1%
	Total	112	100%

3	Are you Hispanic / Latinx?	Total responses	Percent
	Yes	1	3%
	No	33	97%
	Total	34	100%

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Summary Statistics



4	What is your age?	Total responses	Percent
	<15 years	0	0%
	15-24 years	12	11%
	25-34 years	12	11%
	35-44 years	19	17%
	45-54 years	19	17%
	55-64 years	18	16%
	65 or over	30	27%
Total		110	100%

5	What is your highest level of education?	Total responses	Percent
	Less than a high school diploma	26	25%
	High School Diploma	11	10%
	Some College	14	13%
	Associates Degree	8	8%
	Bachelors Degree	29	28%
	Master's Degree / Ph.D.	17	16%
Total		105	100%

6	Where do you live?	Total responses	Percent
	Town of LaGrange	18	17%
	Shipshewana	13	12%
	Wolcottville	14	13%
	Howe	10	9%
	Mongo	3	3%
	Topeka	9	8%
	Stroh	3	3%
	Outside LaGrange County	10	9%
	Other	27	25%
Total		107	100%

7	If you live in the County, how long have you lived here?	Total responses	Percent
	0-4 years	5	5%
	5-19 years	21	21%
	20+ years	73	74%
Total		99	100%



8	Tell us your annual household income?	Total responses	Percent
	Less than \$56,000	16	17%
	\$56,000 - \$85,000	25	27%
	Greater than \$85,000	52	56%
	Total	93	100%

9	Do you own property and/or a business in LaGrange County?	Total responses	Percent
	Own property	56	62%
	Own a business	2	2%
	Own both property and a business	33	36%
	Total	91	100%

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10. Why did you choose to attend the Summit on the Future?	
Id	Comment
1	Because LaGrange co. has unreal potential that is not being utilized.
7	To see what the thoughts are. Sounds and looks good. Very excited.
8	To stay informed with what is happening in the County.
9	I wanted to keep up with what is planned for our County. Even though I live outside the County, since I work here, I'm more interested in LaGrange County Than I am of the County that I live in.
10	I grew up here, attended hs here & work here
11	Stay informed about the direction of the County
13	Concern as to overly restrictive zoning setbacks and use (back lot buildings) ordinance as applied to L-1 Properties.
16	It's my community. This will affect me.
17	I am invested in the process and participated in the previous feedback opportunities. As a lifelong resident I'm interested in helping find ways to preserve our unique culture and resources while still supporting growth + vitality.
19	I want to be active in where I live!
20	Im a lifelong resident, all of my family lives in this area. The County has changed tremendously. Some good + some not so good. This is a rural county that people love. As more people move here, they want more amenities which then reduces some of the reasons they moved here.
21	To listen to and learn. To see what directions things are going in.
23	I am concerned about the future of LaGrange: development, small town feel
24	I love connecting with people within my community. I love to learn about things going on and decide if there are ways I can be a part of solutions by usinf my gifts. I have a heart to serve so if there are ways I can better connect and serve my community/others, I try to do that.
25	Had read about it in the paper and thought we would see what it was about.
26	I wanted to know what the communiyt view as important to our future.
28	To help develop and see what is planned for the future.
31	Wanted to know what was being addressed.
33	Help plan LaGrange County future for my future generation.
41	Wanted to make sure the natural resources were represented fairly without greenspace you won't get people. It's more than jobs. Quality of and environment is just as important.
42	I think the west part of the county is strongly overlooked
46	I'm invested in the downtown area financially and with my time as co-chair of main sreet LaGrange, I love seeing progress mafe in and around LaGrange. I'm excited to hear about potential growth in the future.
49	Important to my job as executive director of the LaGrange County CUB. Interested in opportunities that the CUB may be able to help with
50	Because I am in the process of building a business and not impressed with LaGrange County. Their no there to help, but to work against us.Very disgusting in the way it was handled.
51	To be a a part of improving the county.
54	Interested in future growth for LaGrange County.

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59	Need to work on ordinance changes. 2 house on a 2 Acre
60	I care about LaGrange County and hope to see certain characteristics about it not change. I am hoping to protect our County + people going forward.
61	I made a couple attempts to participate in person with the open houses and on scheduled interview last fall. Because of poor communication and poor organization, I was unable to do so. I did participate in the online activity. I regard most of these types of efforts as colossal waste of community time and money, but an excellent way for consultants to make money and useless agency people to justify their jobs + Salaries.
64	I am very interested in the future of LaGrange County. I am concerned that the county "moves forward" and does not remain stagnant. Change in community is important in order to be vibrant in the future.
66	I live here. I grew up here. My family has lived in LaGrange County for five generations. This county has some features that can not be duplicated in other areas. I hope to see the plans responsive to the small town concept. I hope to see an environment that supports small local businesses rather than big box walmart and so on. keep it local. I am concerned about the extent of development removing farmland from production and over concentration of confinement animal in areas too close to people. Who is accessing the ground water availability and air quality standards. Determine why the tax rate is not decreasing despite a huge increase in new home and other construction. Kids have to travel too far for elementary schools. Focus home construction in Wolcottville, Howe, and other communities to create the sense of community for a small town.
68	Hopefully to notice a change, Is this another good meeting from the commissioners? To see if the commissioners would attend.
69	I want to be a part of progress and growth.
70	Wanted to see what is going on in the County to see if I can do anything to help improve the county.
71	I have a deep concern for our County.
72	To be a part of the future.
73	I work in LaGrange County and serve on some community health collaborative groups that could be impacted by the effort being made with the county comprehensive plan.
77	Concerns about safety on the roads.

11. Is there anything you would like to share about today's meeting or activities?

Id	Comment
1	Keep on Gathering Info and creating a vision!
18	Thanks for the opportunity!
19	Please keep us informed!
20	Good discussion
24	I appreciate the opportunity to learn more about this process and discuss some of the items with my table.
25	The meeting seemed well organized and informative. A bit lost at first due to the fact that we didn't attend the first phases but felt more connected as we went along.
42	too much time doing table work

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60	I hope you receive good feedback/input tonight. And mostly that you pay attention to it. Remember, LaGrange Co. is an Agricultural County!
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