

Community Health Worksheet

Background Information

The Gateway Corridor is a planned approximately 12-mile dedicated Bus Rapid Transit (BRT) line located in Ramsey and Washington Counties in Minnesota. The corridor runs generally parallel to I-94, connecting downtown Saint Paul with its East Side neighborhoods and the suburbs of Maplewood, Landfall, Oakdale, Lake Elmo, and Woodbury. The transitway will connect the eastern parts of the Twin Cities Metropolitan Area to the broader regional transit system through Union Depot multimodal transportation hub in downtown Saint Paul. To learn more about this project please visit www.thegatewaycorridor.com

As part of this planning effort, a Health Impact Assessment (HIA) is being completed to evaluate the potential health effects of the project before it is implemented. The HIA is supported by a \$100,000 grant from the Health Impact Project, a collaboration of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and The Pew Charitable Trusts, with funding from the Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Minnesota Foundation.

The Gateway Corridor HIA will focus on land use decisions around each of the proposed Gateway stations. The HIA will use input from this survey and the public process to decide on several "health indicators" that are important to the corridor. Health indicators are designed to monitor progress towards a public health goal. To learn more about HIAs, please visit <http://www.pewtrusts.org/en/projects/health-impact-project>.

Process

In order to select meaningful indicators, the HIA Project Management Team is seeking your input. Please complete the following online survey to help us understand what is most important to you as the station areas develop over time. This worksheet will take less than 10 minutes to complete. Thank you for your time!

Step 1: Tell us which organization you belong to (if not part of an organization, just write "individual") and your zip code. If you'd like to join the Gateway email address, please indicate as such.

AGENCY/ORGANIZATION _____

ZIP CODE _____

EMAIL _____

Check the box if you would like to receive emails about the Gateway Corridor project.

Step 2: Are you interested in a particular Gateway Corridor Transit Station? If so, please check those that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Union Depot | <input type="checkbox"/> Landfall |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mounds Boulevard | <input type="checkbox"/> The Oaks |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Earl Street | <input type="checkbox"/> Inwood Avenue |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Etna Street | <input type="checkbox"/> Keats Avenue |
| <input type="checkbox"/> White Bear Avenue | <input type="checkbox"/> Manning Avenue |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Sun Ray | <input type="checkbox"/> No Particular Station |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 3M Station | |

Step 3: Use the attached worksheet to select the five most important elements you perceive as having the greatest influence on positive health outcomes at the station areas.

Step 4: Use the attached worksheet to tell us why that element is important to achieving positive public health outcomes in the station areas. For example, if you selected “sidewalks” as an important element to be considered, it may be important because it “allows people to walk more” or “provides safer connections for people who walk”.

Step 5: Return your worksheet by February 16, 2015, to Lyssa Leitner at Washington County by email: gatewaycorridor@co.washington.mn.us. Please call with any questions: (651) 430-4300.

Your input is greatly appreciated.

Health Indicator Screening Worksheet

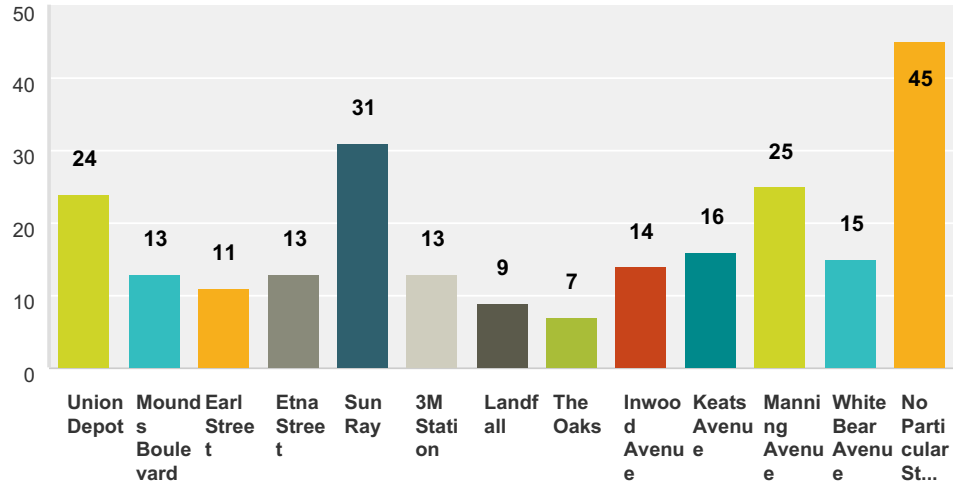
Vote for a total of 5 Indicators	Health Indicator	Why is this Indicator Important?
	Land Use & Housing Elements <i>What type of land uses and housing elements do you perceive as having the greatest influence on positive health outcomes at the station areas?</i>	
	Apartments or other Multi-Family Housing	
	Mixed Use Development (<i>commercial, retail, residential, and office uses in one building or adjacent to each other</i>)	
	Housing for All Ages	
	Access to Affordable Housing	
	Housing for the Elderly	
	Office Jobs	
	Commercial and Retail Services	
	Public Services and Governmental Uses	
	Health Care/Medical Uses	
	Owner-Occupied Housing	
	Rental Housing	
	Transportation Elements <i>What types of transportation elements do you perceive as having the greatest influence on positive health outcomes at the station areas?</i>	
	Sidewalks	
	On-Street Bike Routes	
	Off-Road Trails	
	Local Transit Service	
	Parking	
	Safe Routes to School	

Vote for a total of 5 Indicators	Health Indicator	Why is this Indicator Important?
	Parks, Open Space, and Natural Resources <i>What types of parks and open space elements do you perceive as having the greatest influence on positive health outcomes at the station areas?</i>	
	Regional Parks	
	Local Parks	
	Open Space/Green Space	
	Water Features	
	Wildlife and Natural Habitat	
	Design and Other Elements <i>What type of design or other elements do you perceive as having the greatest influence on positive health outcomes at the station areas?</i>	
	Air Quality	
	Access to Healthy Foods (grocery stores, farmers' markets)	
	Personal Safety	
	Crime Prevention	
	Access to Education (Elementary to College)	
	Social/Community Gathering Locations	
	Access to Cultural Facilities	
	Access to Indoor Recreation Facilities	
	Living Wage Jobs	
	Access for People with Disabilities	
	Other Elements <i>Please provide additional ideas below.</i>	

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Q2 Are you interested in a particular Gateway Corridor Transit Station? If so, please check those that apply.

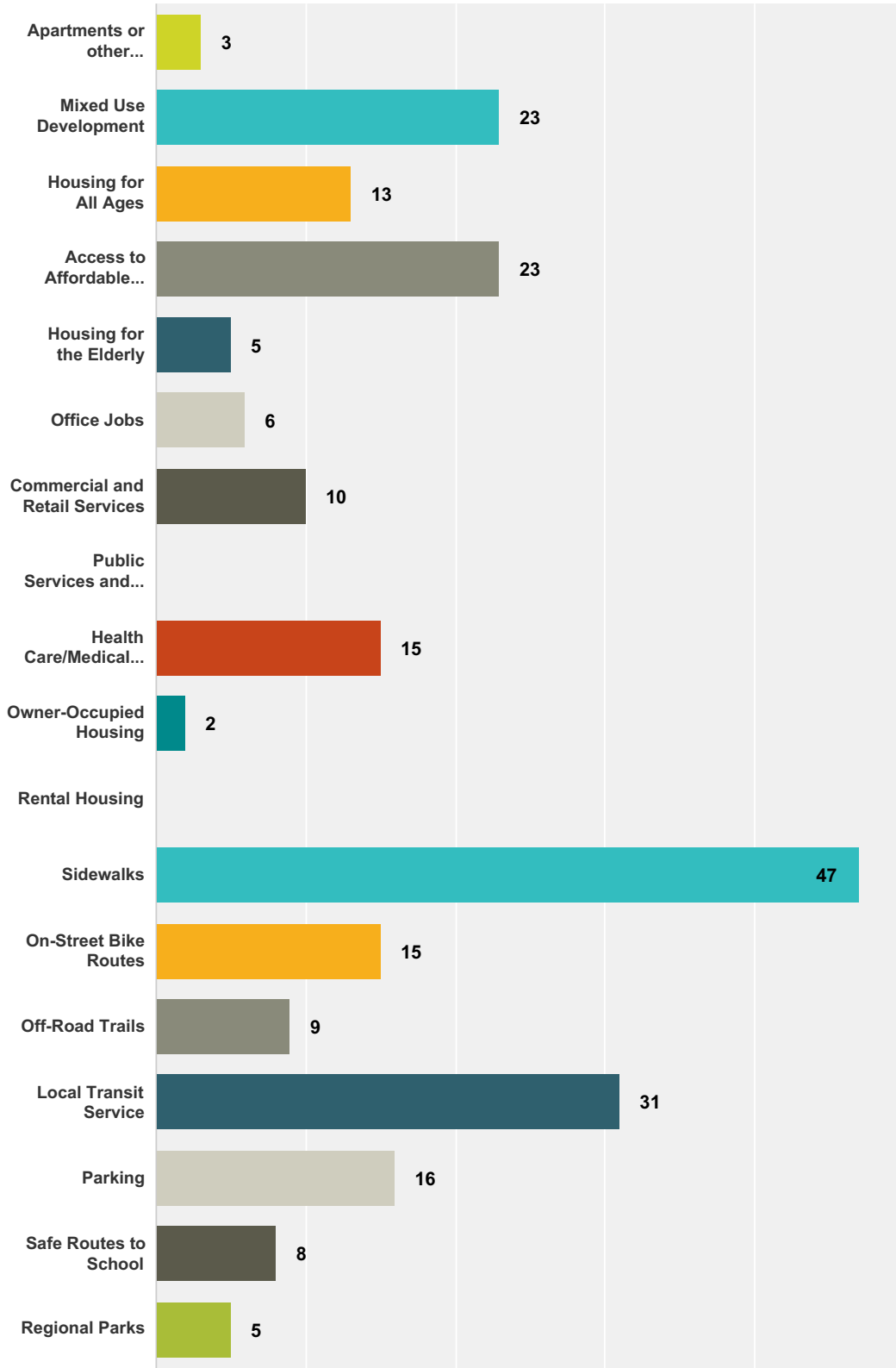
Answered: 113 Skipped: 1



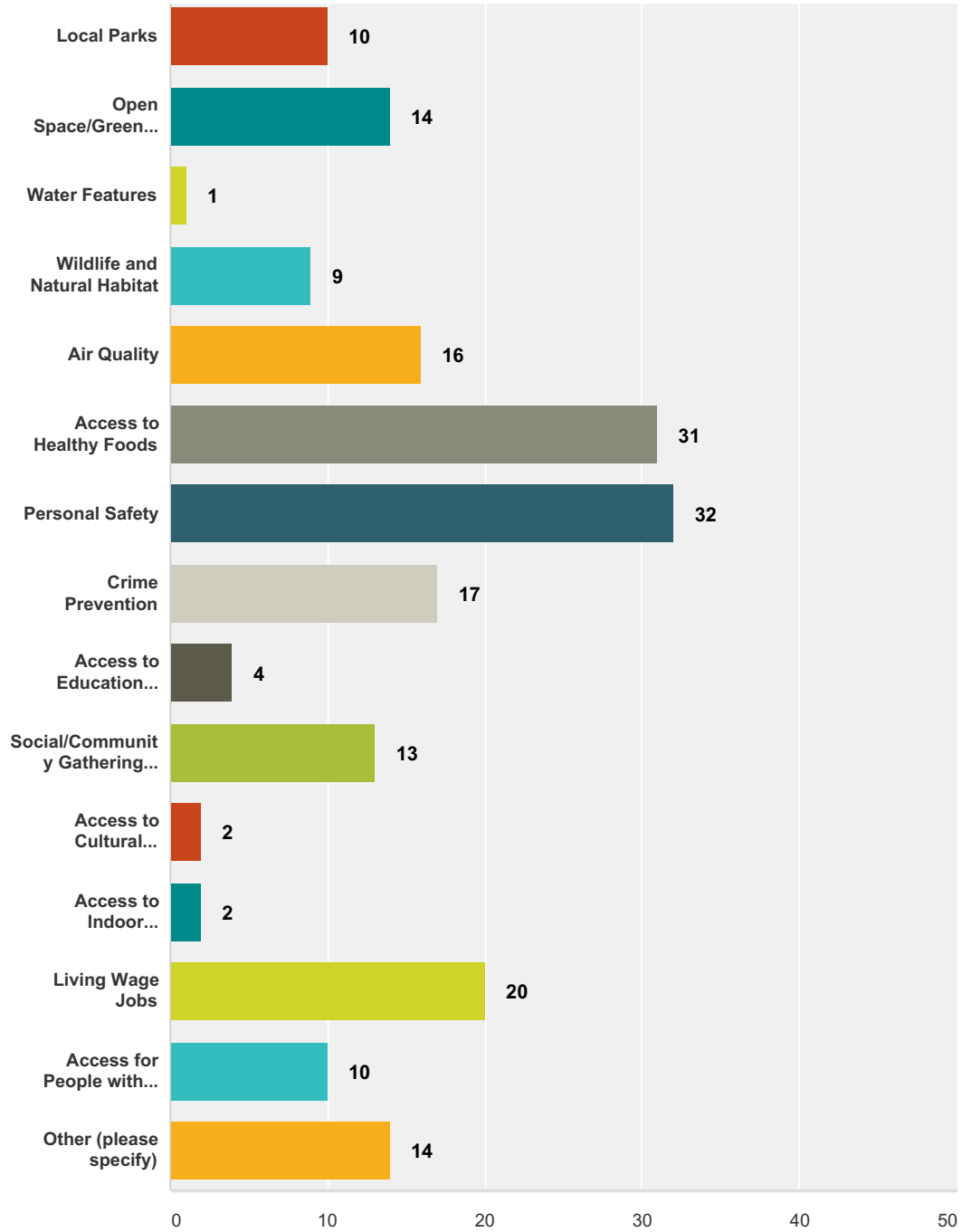
Answer Choices	Responses
Union Depot	21.24% 24
Mounds Boulevard	11.50% 13
Earl Street	9.73% 11
Etna Street	11.50% 13
Sun Ray	27.43% 31
3M Station	11.50% 13
Landfall	7.96% 9
The Oaks	6.19% 7
Inwood Avenue	12.39% 14
Keats Avenue	14.16% 16
Manning Avenue	22.12% 25
White Bear Avenue	13.27% 15
No Particular Station	39.82% 45
Total Respondents: 113	

Q3 Step 3: Use the list below to select the five most important elements you perceive as having the greatest influence on creating healthier environments at the station areas.

Answered: 91 Skipped: 23



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Answer Choices	Responses
Apartments or other Multi-Family Housing	3.30% 3
Mixed Use Development	25.27% 23
Housing for All Ages	14.29% 13
Access to Affordable Housing	25.27% 23
Housing for the Elderly	5.49% 5
Office Jobs	6.59% 6

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Commercial and Retail Services	10.99%	10
Public Services and Governmental Uses	0.00%	0
Health Care/Medical Uses	16.48%	15
Owner-Occupied Housing	2.20%	2
Rental Housing	0.00%	0
Sidewalks	51.65%	47
On-Street Bike Routes	16.48%	15
Off-Road Trails	9.89%	9
Local Transit Service	34.07%	31
Parking	17.58%	16
Safe Routes to School	8.79%	8
Regional Parks	5.49%	5
Local Parks	10.99%	10
Open Space/Green Space	15.38%	14
Water Features	1.10%	1
Wildlife and Natural Habitat	9.89%	9
Air Quality	17.58%	16
Access to Healthy Foods	34.07%	31
Personal Safety	35.16%	32
Crime Prevention	18.68%	17
Access to Education Facilities	4.40%	4
Social/Community Gathering Locations	14.29%	13
Access to Cultural Facilities	2.20%	2
Access to Indoor Recreation Facilities	2.20%	2
Living Wage Jobs	21.98%	20
Access for People with Disabilities	10.99%	10
Other (please specify)	15.38%	14
Total Respondents: 91		

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Q4 Step 4: Please tell us why the five elements you selected above are important to your health. For example, if you selected “sidewalks” as an important element to be considered, it may be important because it “allows people to walk more” or “provides safer connections for people who walk”.

Answered: 91 Skipped: 23

Answer Choices	Responses	
Apartments and Other Multi-Family Housing	3.30%	3
Mixed Use Development	24.18%	22
Housing for All Ages	15.38%	14
Access to Affordable Housing	19.78%	18
Housing for the Elderly	5.49%	5
Office Jobs	5.49%	5
Commercial and Retail Services	10.99%	10
Public Services and Governmental Uses	0.00%	0
Health Care/Medical Uses	10.99%	10
Owner-Occupied Housing	2.20%	2
Rental Housing	0.00%	0
Sidewalks	50.55%	46
On-Street Bike Routes	15.38%	14
Off-Road Trails	7.69%	7
Local Transit Service	29.67%	27
Parking	17.58%	16
Safe Routes to School	5.49%	5
Regional Parks	5.49%	5
Local Parks	6.59%	6
Open Space/Green Space	12.09%	11
Water Features	1.10%	1
Wildlife and Natural Habitat	8.79%	8
Air Quality	14.29%	13
Access to Healthy Foods	23.08%	21

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Personal Safety	27.47%	25
Crime Prevention	18.68%	17
Access to Education Facilities	1.10%	1
Social/Community Gathering Locations	9.89%	9
Access to Cultural Facilities	2.20%	2
Access to Indoor Recreation Facilities	2.20%	2
Living Wage Jobs	18.68%	17
Access for People with Disabilities	8.79%	8
Other	18.68%	17

#	Apartments and Other Multi-Family Housing	Date
1	Affordable transportation for the masses	3/15/2015 9:22 AM
2	Easy access for commuting purposes for those "leaving town"	2/28/2015 5:03 PM
3	Those who require the service of rapid transit could live close to a station whereas getting and/or maintaining a job would be easier.	2/23/2015 2:44 PM
#	Mixed Use Development	Date
1	routine use; get people to use this who can sustain it	3/5/2015 9:04 AM
2	area a mile radius should be able to cover a number of these elements	3/4/2015 8:19 PM
3	wide range of options to be included; diverse	3/4/2015 8:16 PM
4	Important for social connectedness/placemaking; local economic stimulus can improve quality of life (more high-paying jobs, less time needed to access services/resources)	3/4/2015 11:50 AM
5	Easy access to employment for those commuting into Woodbury; access to limited retail for users of Gateway Corridor	2/28/2015 5:03 PM
6	Provides the most variety of destinations	2/25/2015 10:26 AM
7	We need mixed use to keep our town interesting to all and available to locals.	2/20/2015 8:06 PM
8	to create more walkable / livable communities	2/19/2015 12:53 PM
9	People living/working in station areas will spend less time in cars and more time walking	2/17/2015 10:56 AM
10	smart use of land	2/16/2015 3:15 PM
11	Affordable accessible housing	2/16/2015 1:54 PM
12	Intergenerational, for all ages and income levels	2/16/2015 1:47 PM
13	Close proximity to BRT - one stop	2/16/2015 1:36 PM
14	Ease of access between housing, retail, and services completes the connections	2/16/2015 1:32 PM
15	makes for walkable community	2/12/2015 1:04 PM
16	combination of local small businesses and affordable housing for all ages would be very appropriate near a transit station and help develop community	2/5/2015 7:13 PM
17	Should be multiple activities available around the transit stations.	2/5/2015 3:54 PM
18	This leads to a variety of activities to be done in the area - living, working, gathering	2/5/2015 9:47 AM
19	So people can live and work and not use a car	2/5/2015 9:43 AM

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20	will draw a greater variety of people, shop, health, rec, living	2/5/2015 9:37 AM
21	supports vitality in area; provides a reason for people to be there	2/5/2015 9:02 AM
22	varied housing and business areas	2/5/2015 8:40 AM
#	Housing for All Ages	Date
1	young and old people living together makes us well rounded	3/16/2015 7:53 PM
2	Affordable transportation for the masses	3/15/2015 9:22 AM
3	All ages can use transit	3/11/2015 3:29 PM
4	quality housing access within walking distance of stations	3/4/2015 8:37 PM
5	family systems accommodated mixed ages = real community	3/4/2015 8:31 PM
6	mixed community	3/4/2015 8:27 PM
7	To me this includes renters, first time home owners, all size housing and all affordability housing.	2/20/2015 8:06 PM
8	Variety of housing for all ages and income levels	2/16/2015 1:47 PM
9	Access to work, school, play, etc. Community connectedness.	2/16/2015 1:27 PM
10	Access for all and access to transportation so people can go to work, play, and go grocery shopping.	2/16/2015 1:23 PM
11	Provides housing for everyone	2/16/2015 1:10 PM
12	City of Lake Elmo desires to attract life-cycle housing that allows for Lake Elmo residents to continue to live in Lake ELmo regardless of life stage.	2/12/2015 3:18 PM
13	makes sure that all members of the community benefit	2/12/2015 1:04 PM
14	This is obvious	2/12/2015 8:44 AM
#	Access to Affordable Housing	Date
1	Affordable transportation for the underresourced	3/15/2015 9:22 AM
2	It is difficult to remain healthy if basic needs for food and shelter are not met. Struggling financially to pay rent leads to fewer funds for healthy foods, less time to exercise and leads to significant emotional stress which, in turn, leads to higher levels of morbidity and mortality	3/14/2015 1:25 AM
3	currently housing or transit routes are not affordable	3/4/2015 8:01 PM
4	Critical in building wealth, stability for youth can improve academic success; housing affordability allows families to have money needed to afford other basic needs; avoid highly concentrated areas of poverty and the related negative health outcomes associated with economically disadvantaged neighborhoods	3/4/2015 11:50 AM
5	is a top social determinant of health	2/22/2015 7:33 PM
6	Allows people of all income levels the ability to live in a new unit with updated standards, such as proper venting, efficient heating and water, and lead free	2/20/2015 10:04 AM
7	to prevent gentrification	2/19/2015 12:53 PM
8	Housing costs create financial instability for people which causes great stress	2/17/2015 10:56 AM
9	and ages	2/16/2015 1:54 PM
10	Can this be mixed use?	2/16/2015 1:39 PM
11	Equal access/health impacts	2/16/2015 1:32 PM
12	Access for all people	2/16/2015 1:23 PM
13	Provides housing for everyone	2/16/2015 1:10 PM
14	Stable, affordable, accessible housing is a significant social determinant of health - this would include all ages	2/16/2015 1:07 PM
15	less stress, transportation options	2/14/2015 3:55 PM
16	many transit riders are dependent on it so stations should have also affordable housing	2/5/2015 9:43 AM

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17	transit will be used more if those who need transit live close	2/5/2015 9:37 AM
18	pluralistic society	2/5/2015 8:54 AM
#	Housing for the Elderly	Date
1	x	2/16/2015 1:51 PM
2	Plan for the most vulnerable population and all others will be served	2/16/2015 1:42 PM
3	Lake Elmo has a significant population of seniors. It is important to provide opportunities for them to remain within their community and age in place.	2/12/2015 3:18 PM
4	allows elderly to have safe access to public transportation	2/5/2015 12:14 PM
5	growing population	2/5/2015 9:49 AM
#	Office Jobs	Date
1	create a group of routine users	3/5/2015 9:04 AM
2	Need places for people to work	2/16/2015 3:15 PM
3	living-wage jobs should be served by transit.	2/5/2015 3:54 PM
4	Access to work	2/5/2015 11:32 AM
5	The closer people work to transit lines, the less traffic is on the roads. This can lead to less pollution, less stress, and safer roads.	2/5/2015 8:33 AM
#	Commercial and Retail Services	Date
1	Access to grocery stores to purchase healthier foods	3/15/2015 9:22 AM
2	convenience	3/11/2015 3:29 PM
3	commercial development at stations crucial for economic development of neighborhoods	3/4/2015 8:37 PM
4	Stores that are scaled to the needs of the local residents will also provide employment opportunities.	2/20/2015 8:06 PM
5	People will demand services and retail	2/16/2015 3:15 PM
6	Provides reason to utilize the station for personal needs	2/14/2015 1:33 PM
7	creates a hub of activity and more eyes on street	2/9/2015 2:22 PM
8	shopping should be available at bus-to-car transfer point.	2/5/2015 3:54 PM
9	access	2/5/2015 9:49 AM
10	More commercial and retail services will draw more people to the public transportation route and encourage businesses along that route to improve the area	2/5/2015 9:01 AM
#	Public Services and Governmental Uses	Date
	There are no responses.	
#	Health Care/Medical Uses	Date
1	Access to healthcare	3/15/2015 9:22 AM
2	needs to be accessible	3/5/2015 9:01 AM
3	getting to appointments	3/5/2015 8:59 AM
4	getting to appointments on time and keeping them	3/4/2015 8:13 PM
5	important for health-lacking mental health and dental access currently	2/22/2015 7:33 PM
6	Need to have ease in getting to health care	2/16/2015 1:47 PM
7	Aging populations?	2/16/2015 1:29 PM
8	Allows people to access facilities from BRT station	2/14/2015 1:33 PM
9	to better serve the local community as well as commuters	2/5/2015 12:14 PM

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10	locating these health services next to a stop would reduce the need for a car	2/5/2015 9:43 AM
#	Owner-Occupied Housing	Date
1	Home ownership fosters a sense of community pride and cohesion. Neighborhoods are safer, parents have a stronger investment in the quality of education and the community as a whole is more likely to thrive.	3/14/2015 1:25 AM
2	Stability of the neighborhood	2/11/2015 9:46 PM
#	Rental Housing	Date
	There are no responses.	
#	Sidewalks	Date
1	allows safer connections for walkers	3/11/2015 3:29 PM
2	if we want ped use, need safe stable sidewalks	3/4/2015 8:37 PM
3	so that one can walk less than or equal to 1 mile to the station	3/4/2015 8:19 PM
4	yes and a process to make sure they are shoveled	3/4/2015 8:01 PM
5	Critical to increasing linkages between residential and business areas, increases physical activity	3/4/2015 11:50 AM
6	Allows people to walk to station	2/25/2015 10:26 AM
7	Much safer to walk on a sidewalk vs. walking in the street. Easier for those with disabilities to maneuver even the harshest weather.	2/23/2015 2:44 PM
8	Safet to walk and cross streets is important	2/21/2015 7:21 AM
9	Safe access to neighborhood amenties	2/20/2015 10:04 AM
10	Wide sidewalks accommodate people with disabilities and people of all ages. They also provide safe connections from streets to station areas.	2/20/2015 10:03 AM
11	My neighborhood is a patchwork quilt of sidewalks; some blocks have sidewalks, some don't, some have sidewalks that stop halfway down the block. More sidewalks would make people feel safer about walking.	2/20/2015 9:31 AM
12	It is very dangerous to walk/bike to East Side station areas as currently built	2/17/2015 10:56 AM
13	x	2/16/2015 1:51 PM
14	Need oppportunity to connect	2/16/2015 1:47 PM
15	Encourage walking	2/16/2015 1:39 PM
16	Movement - walkability to more locations	2/16/2015 1:36 PM
17	Need to branch out/provide access to and away from stops	2/16/2015 1:32 PM
18	Connectedness to other amenities	2/16/2015 1:27 PM
19	So people can walk there	2/16/2015 1:23 PM
20	Physical design offering opportunities for social connectedness and physical activity, both of which are significant indicators of health	2/16/2015 1:07 PM
21	safer and more inviting for people who walk	2/14/2015 3:55 PM
22	Safe access to transit for pedestrians. Timely snow clearing reduces falls, makes accessible to disabled.	2/14/2015 11:47 AM
23	Sidewalks provide safety for walkers.	2/13/2015 9:07 PM
24	better connectivity between uses	2/13/2015 4:15 PM
25	Can't walk anywhere without them	2/13/2015 3:32 PM
26	Create walkable routes to the stations	2/13/2015 10:05 AM
27	Allows people a place to walk without being in the street.	2/12/2015 3:52 PM
28	facilitate safe walking	2/12/2015 3:48 PM

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29	In order to create successful station areas and promote ridership, it is critical to have pedestrian facilities that allow nearby residents to easily access stations by foot.	2/12/2015 3:18 PM
30	SAFE walking areas near traffic, improved access to Sunray; increased physical activity; less driving	2/12/2015 2:19 PM
31	allows people to walk more and provides safety	2/12/2015 1:53 PM
32	Pedestrian friendly intersections are very important	2/9/2015 2:22 PM
33	It's not safe to walk there if there is not a sidewalk	2/8/2015 2:07 PM
34	it is currently highly risky to try and walk from Etna to Burns avenue	2/6/2015 12:03 AM
35	safe and easy accessibility for pedestrians, also to promote health, well-being, and community	2/5/2015 7:13 PM
36	Safer for people who walk	2/5/2015 1:24 PM
37	quick, fast connections	2/5/2015 11:32 AM
38	safety and disability issues	2/5/2015 9:49 AM
39	allow people to move safely, but they need to be efficient, too. Just because sidewalks are present doesn't make them practical to use. Tamarack Village in Woodbury is a good example of a place where there are sidewalks, but the practicality of actually walking from one location to another is very small. Woodbury Lakes is an example where the sidewalks are more useable in real life.	2/5/2015 9:47 AM
40	for safe walking to and from the location	2/5/2015 9:47 AM
41	so I can walk safely after I arrive at the station	2/5/2015 9:43 AM
42	Safe access to the station	2/5/2015 9:02 AM
43	Encourage walking to improve health, improve access to the public transport stations for those without vehicles, especially in suburban areas where connective sidewalks are rare	2/5/2015 9:01 AM
44	safely walking to the station from housing	2/5/2015 8:54 AM
45	allows for a safe place to walk from the station - seriously lacking in the suburbs	2/5/2015 8:44 AM
46	Being able to get to the station in the safest and easiest way possible will allow people to feel confident to include walking in their commute.	2/5/2015 8:33 AM
#	On-Street Bike Routes	Date
1	Increases physical activity; allows for multi-modal transit to be an option for residents	3/4/2015 11:50 AM
2	Easy access to the transit station for those using the Gateway Corridor and preferring to bike to or from	2/28/2015 5:03 PM
3	This encourages non motor travel so automobile ownership is not required to live here.	2/20/2015 8:06 PM
4	Safe and protected routes to jobs	2/20/2015 10:04 AM
5	I'm a bike enthusiast but it's a tough neighborhood to bike in. More bike lanes and education about biking would help us bike more safely.	2/20/2015 9:31 AM
6	Gold Line connection to a robust bike network will encourage and support more bicycling	2/17/2015 10:56 AM
7	Need to branch out/provide access to and away from stops	2/16/2015 1:32 PM
8	SAFE, non-driving accessible shopping	2/12/2015 2:19 PM
9	It needs to be clear that there is a physical space for bikes as a transit mode in the eastern suburbs. Current Woodbury bike paths are recreationally oriented, not commuter-oriented. There should be explicit development of commuter-friendly bike routes in the east metro.	2/5/2015 9:47 AM
10	for getting to the station by bike	2/5/2015 9:47 AM
11	I would like to ride my bike to transit, none are convenient for me now	2/5/2015 9:37 AM
12	Safe access to the station	2/5/2015 9:02 AM
13	Safety for cars and bicyclists if there is a distinct separation of lanes and promotes healthy active lifestyles	2/5/2015 8:44 AM

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14	Being able to get to the station in the safest and easiest way possible will allow people to feel confident to include biking in their commute.	2/5/2015 8:33 AM
#	Off-Road Trails	Date
1	Encourage biking while separating from cars	2/16/2015 1:39 PM
2	allow for multiple modes of transportation	2/13/2015 4:15 PM
3	Gives a sense of adventure to walk around in a more natural setting.	2/12/2015 3:52 PM
4	the City of Lake Elmo is planning an extensive trail system to create multi-modal connectivity. Off-road trails will provide residents outside of walking distance (1/4 to 1/2 mile) to access station areas without using their automobiles.	2/12/2015 3:18 PM
5	Trails reach desired destinations; increased physical activity	2/12/2015 2:19 PM
6	bikes along their own lane alongside of dedicated lane of BRT would be really nice	2/6/2015 12:03 AM
7	safe and easy accessibility for bicyclists, same as above	2/5/2015 7:13 PM
#	Local Transit Service	Date
1	It is important for lower income, elderly or disabled people who do not own a vehicle to be able to access retail outlets, health care facilities, jobs, etc.	3/14/2015 1:25 AM
2	make it easy to get there from home. so you don't have to change transit modes.	3/5/2015 9:04 AM
3	feeder lines-use small para-transit	3/4/2015 8:01 PM
4	Need bus transit within Woodbury to and from this station.	2/28/2015 5:03 PM
5	Many may live farther away and walking to a transit station would be impossible. This gives those who need to use the rapid transit a way to get to the station.	2/23/2015 2:44 PM
6	Local should include public transit to all parts of Lake Elmo especially the Village area.	2/20/2015 8:06 PM
7	High frequency safe routes	2/20/2015 10:04 AM
8	If local transit service doesn't expand on the East side (and beyond), people will lack the ability to make connections outside of the Gateway corridor.	2/20/2015 10:03 AM
9	Adequate connection to the local bus system will encourage transit use and decrease reliance on cars	2/17/2015 10:56 AM
10	Need to distribute people from that end point	2/16/2015 3:15 PM
11	As connectors	2/16/2015 1:42 PM
12	Getting off BRT then how to get to where final destination. "Too far to walk"	2/16/2015 1:36 PM
13	Access for all	2/16/2015 1:23 PM
14	Need safe/accessible transportation for all regardless of economic level	2/16/2015 1:20 PM
15	Helps reduce traffic and parking congestion.	2/14/2015 11:47 AM
16	Many people need connections & not all have cars.	2/13/2015 9:07 PM
17	need to connect riders from beyond the corridor	2/13/2015 4:15 PM
18	Connecting buses to get people to and from the main station	2/13/2015 10:05 AM
19	Expand transit options, shorten travel time	2/12/2015 2:19 PM
20	need to be able to access local transit safely	2/12/2015 1:53 PM
21	reduces car traffic, pollution, noise, increases walking	2/12/2015 1:04 PM
22	this would provide more access to the line from the neighborhoods	2/9/2015 2:22 PM
23	no point exiting to a highway major or minor	2/8/2015 2:07 PM

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24	Good connecting local transit options make it more realistic that people could walk or bike to connections rather than drive to a park-and-ride. Plus once someone is in their personal vehicle, there is a tendency to stay in it, making that individual less likely to use the BRT.	2/5/2015 9:47 AM
25	allows more use. easier to get from east to mpls	2/5/2015 9:37 AM
26	Efficient transit connections to the station	2/5/2015 9:02 AM
27	The more convenient and frequent is the way to get more people to use it!	2/5/2015 8:44 AM
#	Parking	Date
1	Speaks for itself	2/16/2015 3:15 PM
2	Access to the facility is important for use by people in the nearby neighborhood	2/14/2015 1:33 PM
3	need to accommodate both transit riders and office users	2/13/2015 4:15 PM
4	Parking for vehicles from outside the area to access the bus	2/13/2015 10:05 AM
5	obviously parking needs to be adequate to allow people to drive to transit area	2/12/2015 11:50 AM
6	We need to drive to the station-use permeable pavement for water quality	2/12/2015 10:03 AM
7	Stations are gathering points for people to get on the system	2/12/2015 8:44 AM
8	Need to have ample parking	2/11/2015 9:46 PM
9	availability so those who don't live within walking distance are able to use transit	2/5/2015 7:13 PM
10	motorists should be encouraged to leave their cars and take the bus downtown to relieve congestion, save energy	2/5/2015 3:54 PM
11	I will be driving to the station and need a place to park	2/5/2015 1:24 PM
12	increases park & ride use	2/5/2015 12:14 PM
13	close proximity to parking	2/5/2015 11:32 AM
14	coming from the community to center location	2/5/2015 9:47 AM
15	for commuters for work or pleasure	2/5/2015 8:54 AM
16	sufficient parking and access in and out of lots	2/5/2015 8:40 AM
#	Safe Routes to School	Date
1	walkability parents and kids routes. will be safe-well lit. well maintained.	3/4/2015 8:31 PM
2	implies safe transit for all ages	3/4/2015 8:27 PM
3	Important for safe routes for kids to walk to/from school for increased physical activity and social connectedness	2/16/2015 1:20 PM
4	Access to schools from transit	2/16/2015 1:10 PM
5	Safety is #1 - our children deserve to be safe to and from school	2/5/2015 8:44 AM
#	Regional Parks	Date
1	x	2/16/2015 1:51 PM
2	Recreation opportunities	2/16/2015 1:32 PM
3	regional transport system should decrease number of parking spaces, thus allowing more areas for natural park development	2/12/2015 11:50 AM
4	Need for wide open places to get outdoors	2/11/2015 9:46 PM
5	Parks and other outdoor spaces will help cultivate healthy lifestyles and provide a break from the busy day-to-day	2/5/2015 9:01 AM
#	Local Parks	Date
1	opportunity to gather all ages/lower stress. be active. stimulate family gathering.	3/4/2015 8:31 PM
2	play and recreational areas	3/4/2015 8:27 PM

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3	many already sited	3/4/2015 8:19 PM
4	Importance of social and community connectedness. Places for families/kids to gather.	2/16/2015 1:20 PM
5	Provides opportunities for social connectedness and green space (mental health)	2/16/2015 1:07 PM
6	This is one of the great things about Minnesota that we have unbuilt areas to go to.	2/12/2015 3:52 PM
#	Open Space/Green Space	Date
1	make them appealing	3/5/2015 9:04 AM
2	conducive to creativity and wonderment	2/20/2015 10:59 AM
3	Green space and vegetation are really important for human health and are aesthetically pleasing.	2/20/2015 10:03 AM
4	People might be more respectful of our community if there was more beautiful, open space.	2/20/2015 9:31 AM
5	Reduce feeling of "clutter"	2/16/2015 1:42 PM
6	Preserving the natural elements of the community	2/16/2015 1:27 PM
7	Sun Ray is an eye sore and should be more inviting for the community via green space and open space for hanging out	2/12/2015 1:53 PM
8	helps reduce street	2/12/2015 12:49 PM
9	Will improve aesthetics and habitat-and water quality.	2/12/2015 10:03 AM
10	Makes and keeps the station a nice place to use	2/12/2015 8:44 AM
11	Green space, especially that with stormwater retrofits such as raingardens and native prairies provide beauty, air quality and water quality benefits and make people happier too.	2/5/2015 8:44 AM
#	Water Features	Date
1	Minnesotans value water-they voted for the amendment-having a water feature will be attractive and valued.	2/12/2015 10:03 AM
#	Wildlife and Natural Habitat	Date
1	trees produce oxygen, promote healthy ecosystem	3/16/2015 7:53 PM
2	keep in mind we are sharing the environment with other wildlife/life forms nature	3/4/2015 8:08 PM
3	it teaches empathy and reminds we are of nature	2/20/2015 10:59 AM
4	x	2/16/2015 1:51 PM
5	Always a priority	2/13/2015 3:32 PM
6	Give you a chance to experience nature in a more educational setting.	2/12/2015 3:52 PM
7	Any time I am out I prefer to be waiting at a mass transit if it has wild natural elements planned into the cityscape	2/6/2015 12:03 AM
8	Promotes healthier environment (air, aesthetics)	2/5/2015 12:14 PM
#	Air Quality	Date
1	Need for clean air, breathability	3/11/2015 3:29 PM
2	effect on vulnerable populations is significant	3/4/2015 8:04 PM
3	Fresh/healthy air is important for obvious reasons	2/21/2015 7:21 AM
4	Asthma and many other health issues can be traced back to poor air quality. Asthma impacts low-income children disproportionately, impacting school attendance, etc.	2/16/2015 1:07 PM
5	Reduces air pollutants and asthma attacks.	2/14/2015 11:47 AM
6	we all need clean air to stay healthy.	2/13/2015 9:07 PM
7	Gag me with a spoon if this is not a priority	2/13/2015 3:32 PM
8	healthier air to breathe	2/12/2015 3:48 PM
9	fewer cars on the road results in less emissions	2/12/2015 11:50 AM

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10	Nobody like a smelly place	2/12/2015 8:44 AM
11	Bus tend to have a strong exhaust/chemical smell -ish	2/8/2015 2:07 PM
12	fewer vehicle-miles mean less air pollution	2/5/2015 3:54 PM
13	use clean technologies...ie - all electric vehicles	2/5/2015 11:32 AM
#	Access to Healthy Foods	Date
1	Proper nutrition is fundamental to overall health and well being. Eating the right foods makes one less likely to develop chronic disease, reduces rates of obesity and teaches people how to learn to value their bodies.	3/14/2015 1:25 AM
2	stimulating good nutrition/ability to walk to gather quality food	3/4/2015 8:31 PM
3	people need to buy dinner on the way home	3/4/2015 8:27 PM
4	stop and pick up dinner	3/4/2015 8:19 PM
5	making sure people have access to healthy food. connecting food deserts	3/4/2015 8:08 PM
6	and community fitness option	3/4/2015 8:01 PM
7	Gotta have my coffee and bagel!	2/28/2015 5:03 PM
8	is a top social determinant of health	2/22/2015 7:33 PM
9	Greater options for making healthy choices	2/20/2015 10:04 AM
10	Situating markets/grocery stores along the corridor would make sense to provide healthy food to those who might have trouble getting around.	2/20/2015 10:03 AM
11	to provide helty diet oportunites for everyone	2/19/2015 12:53 PM
12	x	2/16/2015 1:51 PM
13	Healthy food access is basic to a healthy life	2/16/2015 1:39 PM
14	Close to BRT line - access to all	2/16/2015 1:36 PM
15	People need access to healthy foods for health.	2/16/2015 1:23 PM
16	Vitally important for all families and kids to have access to fresh/whole/nutritious foods no matter where they live (with or without access to transportation). Lots of pockets without access to healthy food.	2/16/2015 1:20 PM
17	Access to foods from transit	2/16/2015 1:10 PM
18	We have too many unhealthy choices!	2/5/2015 12:14 PM
19	shopping	2/5/2015 9:49 AM
20	farmer's mkt, co-op, local food is critical to improved health	2/5/2015 9:37 AM
21	Being able to take transit to work, but also to be able to stop at grocery stores on the way home would promote the buying of more fresh produce through more frequent trips to the store.	2/5/2015 8:33 AM
#	Personal Safety	Date
1	people will not use transit if perceived as unsafe	3/4/2015 8:37 PM
2	this will be important for confidence	3/4/2015 8:27 PM
3	Everyone wants to feel safe in all environments. Better lighting, shoveled, salted and sanded sidewalks are all a plus.	2/23/2015 2:44 PM
4	People need to feel safe to use the system	2/21/2015 7:21 AM
5	Imperative	2/16/2015 1:42 PM
6	People will use design element only if safe	2/16/2015 1:39 PM
7	High priority! Must be safe - feel, look, etc.	2/16/2015 1:36 PM
8	Safety in relation to other indicators - trails	2/16/2015 1:29 PM

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9	People need to feel safe if they use mass transit or have active lifestyles	2/16/2015 1:27 PM
10	less stress to feel like amenities are safe for waiting	2/14/2015 3:55 PM
11	People need to feel and be safe in and near the facility	2/14/2015 1:33 PM
12	If people feel safe they are more likely to use transit at all hours.	2/14/2015 11:47 AM
13	If people cannot stay safe they will not use transit.	2/13/2015 9:07 PM
14	Safety second???	2/13/2015 3:32 PM
15	It is important to plan station areas in a way that will promote safe environments for transit users and nearby properties.	2/12/2015 3:18 PM
16	Putting a transit station in a well lit area will be critical for use and also feels safer	2/12/2015 1:53 PM
17	when people feel safe they will use the amenities	2/12/2015 12:49 PM
18	Hate to get hurt or robbed	2/11/2015 9:46 PM
19	How can people ride transit and be safe - big fear of mine	2/8/2015 2:07 PM
20	Will be driving to and using the station mainly in the early morning and late evening, need to feel safe - I hope to use it to attend some entertainment (hockey, baseball, theater etc...) but that will depend on the transit schedule	2/5/2015 1:24 PM
21	If people don't feel personally safe, they won't use the space. Mixed use can lead to greater personal safety by making sure there is adequate pedestrian traffic in the area to be observant.	2/5/2015 9:47 AM
22	People won't use the station if they don't feel safe	2/5/2015 9:02 AM
23	the need to feel safe at all times	2/5/2015 8:54 AM
24	heated walkway for winter,	2/5/2015 8:40 AM
25	People need to feel safe at the stations. Feeling safe would be a big priority for people who wouldn't consider riding transit because the perceived notion of crime.	2/5/2015 8:33 AM
#	Crime Prevention	Date
1	safety and security, well being	3/11/2015 3:29 PM
2	Helps people to feel safe near station area	2/25/2015 10:26 AM
3	More crime will be brought to the area	2/21/2015 4:23 PM
4	People will only come to visit and live in our neighborhoods if they feel that they will be safe there.	2/20/2015 9:31 AM
5	Efforts need to be in place to keep the station and surrounding businesses free from crime	2/14/2015 1:33 PM
6	This goes along with personal safety.	2/13/2015 9:07 PM
7	People need to feel safe in their neighborhoods	2/13/2015 3:32 PM
8	If a person doesn't feel safe, they won't use the bus service	2/13/2015 10:05 AM
9	safe design- CPTED	2/12/2015 3:48 PM
10	investing in transit will put more eyes on the street and in turn (hopefully) reduce crime	2/12/2015 1:53 PM
11	If it isn't safe, no one will use it	2/12/2015 8:44 AM
12	Don't want this to be like the Hlawatha line	2/11/2015 9:46 PM
13	Can there be frequent police presence or other safety device like panic alarm button	2/8/2015 2:07 PM
14	Will be driving to and using the station mainly in the early morning and late evening, need to feel safe - I hope to use it to attend some entertainment (hockey, baseball, theater etc...) but that will depend on the transit schedule	2/5/2015 1:24 PM
15	Needs to be safe for people to use	2/5/2015 11:32 AM
16	security and cleanliness at stations is important for people to feel safe and to ride it	2/5/2015 9:43 AM
17	large police presence and Inforcement	2/5/2015 8:40 AM

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#	Access to Education Facilities	Date
1	educated people, in theory, commit fewer crimes	3/16/2015 7:53 PM
#	Social/Community Gathering Locations	Date
1	Studies have shown that social isolation can have as profound an impact on chronic disease burden as smoking. Social connection is key to emotional and physical well being.	3/14/2015 1:25 AM
2	community families to their neighborhoods	3/4/2015 8:31 PM
3	lacking in our community	2/22/2015 7:33 PM
4	Central social areas lead to so much more - economic development, health, safety	2/13/2015 10:05 AM
5	Makes a sense of community.	2/12/2015 3:52 PM
6	Potential to create community center options. Currently none available	2/12/2015 2:19 PM
7	health is related to social connections - few gathering places	2/12/2015 1:04 PM
8	Builds community	2/12/2015 10:03 AM
9	easier, lessens traffic congestion	2/5/2015 9:49 AM
#	Access to Cultural Facilities	Date
1	people who have pastimes might cause fewer crimes	3/16/2015 7:53 PM
2	Improved access to cultural facilities will help improve ridership and will improve community education among those riders	2/5/2015 9:01 AM
#	Access to Indoor Recreation Facilities	Date
1	promotes a year-round active lifestyle	3/16/2015 7:53 PM
2	Vital to have indoor spaces for kids/families to move and play during cold months	2/16/2015 1:20 PM
#	Living Wage Jobs	Date
1	create a group of routine users	3/5/2015 9:04 AM
2	if affordable jobs on station lines, they will be used	3/4/2015 8:37 PM
3	promote economic development/job creation	3/4/2015 8:08 PM
4	Provides jobs close to transit	2/25/2015 10:26 AM
5	is a top social determinant of health	2/22/2015 7:33 PM
6	It's really important to situate entry level and/or living wage jobs around transit lines, because it allows people who don't own a vehicle to be able to access employment.	2/20/2015 10:03 AM
7	Living-wage jobs strengthen our communities like nothing else. It's the best social program in the world.	2/20/2015 9:31 AM
8	to help lift people up out of poverty	2/19/2015 12:53 PM
9	Income impacts for health	2/16/2015 1:29 PM
10	Health equity in lifestyle	2/16/2015 1:27 PM
11	Access to employment near transit	2/16/2015 1:10 PM
12	A significant factor as a social determinant of health	2/16/2015 1:07 PM
13	Woodbury's plans are for this area to be Places to Work with high quality jobs	2/13/2015 4:15 PM
14	facilitate better housing and health choices	2/12/2015 3:48 PM
15	access to good food, safe housing, appropriate clothing	2/12/2015 1:04 PM
16	jobs allow people to use the corridor	2/12/2015 12:49 PM
17	a reason to use the gold line	2/5/2015 8:54 AM
#	Access for People with Disabilities	Date

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1	access for all people	3/4/2015 8:08 PM
2	More have disabilities than ever before. Obesity, autoimmune disease, bad knees, hips and ankles, returning military who have lost limbs, all of these people deserve the ability to have access so they can partake in and enjoy these services.	2/23/2015 2:44 PM
3	improves access for everyone	2/19/2015 12:53 PM
4	If it works for the disabled population, it will or for general population	2/16/2015 1:42 PM
5	give people with disabilities more opportunities to get around town	2/12/2015 1:08 PM
6	Necessary for those less fortunate than we are.	2/12/2015 10:03 AM
7	I am getting older and anticipate not driving. Maybe someday I may even need safe disabled access to BRT from my condo at Etna Street	2/6/2015 12:03 AM
8	Everyone should have the opportunity and access to the station and transit	2/5/2015 1:24 PM
#	Other	Date
1	none because I'll never ride it, yet we're all paying for it	3/17/2015 4:02 AM
2	na	3/5/2015 9:07 AM
3	na	3/5/2015 8:57 AM
4	na	3/4/2015 8:38 PM
5	for non english speakers--accessible to everyone, deaf/blind, hard of hearing	3/4/2015 8:13 PM
6	language-friendly	3/4/2015 8:11 PM
7	ability of lower income St. Paul residents to access jobs in suburban zones	3/4/2015 8:04 PM
8	Crossing streets safely is often a major barrier	2/25/2015 10:26 AM
9	We don't need a half a billion dollar NOT rapid bus system... we certainly don't need one to make us more healthy. If this thing is so needed why can't this beast pay for itself?	2/23/2015 7:00 AM
10	No build. I don't need a filthy transit system to be healthy. Government should be building roads. If transit is SO important why can't it come close to paying for itself?	2/22/2015 10:37 PM
11	Wow, you people actually think a bus route contributes to any of these factors? Who's paying for all this?	2/22/2015 7:34 AM
12	Again, another inappropriate wish list to offer the community. Have you zero consideration for tax dollars? When you take our money and redistribute it for these frivolous additions that already exist all over the county you're moving us one step closer to unsustainable debt. If you want this corridor, have those who ride it pay for it like every other private transit system has to labor under.	2/22/2015 2:04 AM
13	neighborhoods are critical to health	2/20/2015 10:59 AM
14	Good transit shelter reduces dangers of hypothermia, frostbite, overheating.	2/14/2015 11:47 AM
15	Beyond sidewalks, safe crossings and site design reduce injuries and facilitate walking and social connections	2/12/2015 3:48 PM
16	I really have no safe way to walk from Etna to Burns Avenue so I can bicycle to Mounds park on bless I go via Wilson Street to Jackson. Also, being able to recreational bike along the BRT would great way to get safely to shopping at Sun Ray or even over to Wisconsin.	2/6/2015 12:03 AM
17	so that transit users don't have to stand out in the cold and wind, opportunity to wait seated	2/5/2015 7:13 PM

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Q5 Comments or Questions

Answered: 17 Skipped: 97

#	Responses	Date
1	You people have no shame... \$400,000 this year to promote this thing? sick.	3/17/2015 4:02 AM
2	create a system that will attract users who have the resources to use other options; if it works for them, it will work for those who may experience other barriers or who are transit-dependent; convenience, accessible, and affordable	3/5/2015 9:05 AM
3	Affordability and stops where people can easily get to work	3/5/2015 9:01 AM
4	be sure to measure well being	3/4/2015 8:27 PM
5	If this is so important to build why cant it pay for itself?	2/23/2015 7:01 AM
6	The fact you think a transit system that promotes even more close contact on enclosed buses is evidence of how clueless you people are to how infection and diseases spread. Not to mention the fact the low life's at these stops are threatening, foul mouthed, and completely indecent.	2/22/2015 10:39 PM
7	The audacity to assume a bus route that zig zags down the back streets is "rapid" and that it will improve my health is offensive. I can't ride to the hospital. It can't pick me up at my front door. On and on the cost is WAY higher than the promises you make us. Shame on you!	2/22/2015 7:36 AM
8	These surveys are an extreme disservice to what should be a non-biased system of research and questions. You ask front loaded questions, provide zero insight on the cost/impact when asking people their opinion on the benefits and amenities you offer. It's terrible you play on the public's disconnect with their tax dollars to offer them these ridiculous questions.	2/22/2015 2:23 AM
9	Your survey here is one sided. You ask for top reasons the corridor will influence the area yet ask nothing about the great cost this burden will have related to the minor benefit of taking less than 1% of the traffic off the road for \$400 million+ dollars. Sick!	2/21/2015 4:25 PM
10	Keep transit hubs very visible which helps keep them safe!	2/13/2015 9:07 PM
11	This neighborhood is extremely auto dependent. Transit options should make public transit the more desirable transportation method	2/12/2015 2:20 PM
12	there are more than 5 factors that are important - interrelated	2/12/2015 1:04 PM
13	Would love to talk to you about ways to incorporate green infrastructure practices into the corridor.	2/12/2015 10:03 AM
14	There is a car loan program thru the CAP agency for low income families who need a car for work FYI	2/8/2015 2:08 PM
15	I hope the survey results will be made available to the public	2/5/2015 7:13 PM
16	light rail trains, the longer you wait the more expensive it will be, just to it, get it down. Buses are obsolete.	2/5/2015 9:50 AM
17	As a business owner directly in the path,I need to know exactly where the planned route is.	2/5/2015 8:41 AM