

BURT TOWNSHIP

SURVEY RESULTS



DEMOGRAPHICS



PEOPLE + COMMUNITY



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT +
LAND USE



QUALITY OF LIFE

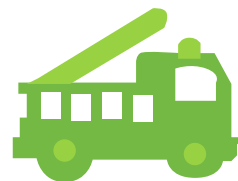
HOUSING



NATURAL RESOURCES



ENERGY



INFRASTRUCTURE + FACILITIES



VALUES + GOALS

RECREATION



OUR VISION

(TBD)



	YEAR	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010	2020	PERCENT CHANGE 1960-2020
BURT TOWNSHIP:	POPULATION	457	424	539	508	480	522	411	-10%
CITY OF MUNISING:		4,228	3,677	3,083	2,783	2,539	2,355	1,986	-53%
MUNISING TOWNSHIP:		1,408	1,614	1,963	2,193	3,125	2,983	2,865	203%
ALGER COUNTY:		9,250	8,568	9,225	8,972	9,862	9,601	8,842	-4.4%

2020 US CENSUS DEMOGRAPHICS



POPULATION



POVERTY RATE



MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME



BURT
TOWNSHIP

411

23.2%

\$27,153



ALGER
COUNTY

8,842

11.2%

\$45,570



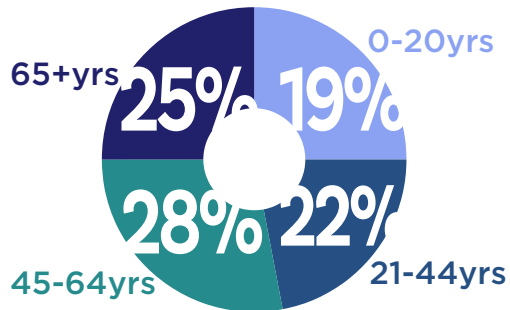
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10,077,331

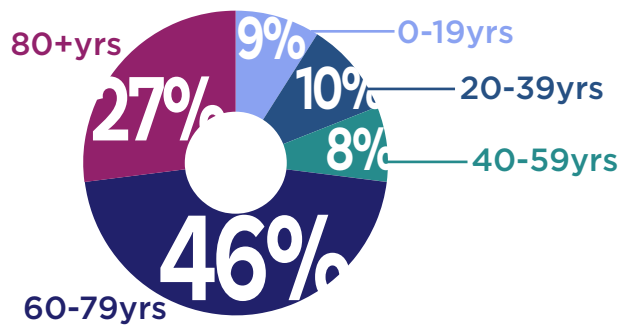
13.0%

\$59,584

AGE | 1980

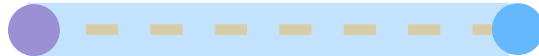


AGE | 2019

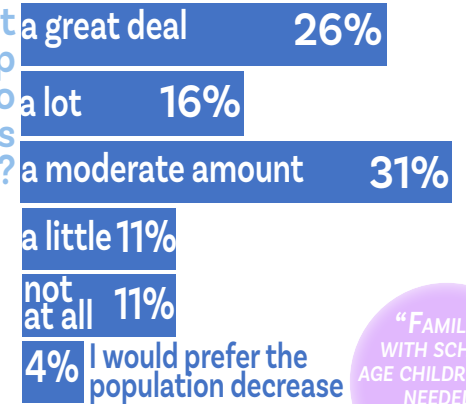




PEOPLE + COMMUNITY



How important is it that the Township population continues to grow and maintain its population?



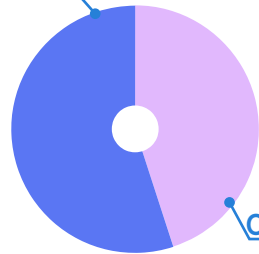
"DEVELOPMENT SHOULD OCCUR SOUTH OFF M77"
-COMMUNITY MEMBER

"THE DOWNTOWN IS LANDLOCKED + CAN'T AFFORD ANY GROWTH"
-COMMUNITY MEMBER

"FAMILIES WITH SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN ARE NEEDED"
-COMMUNITY MEMBER

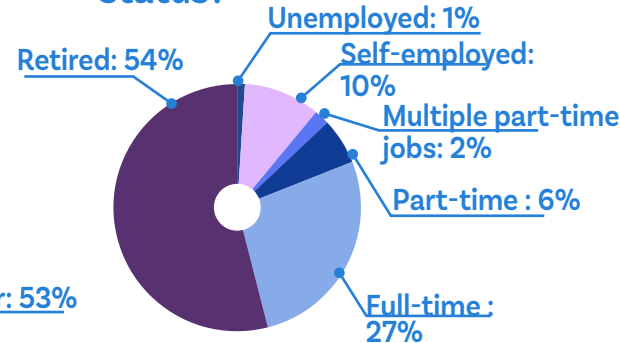
I am a resident of:

Burt Township:
47%



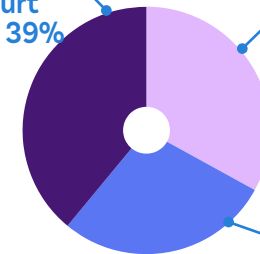
Other: 53%

What is your current employment status?



Do you live in Burt Township year round?

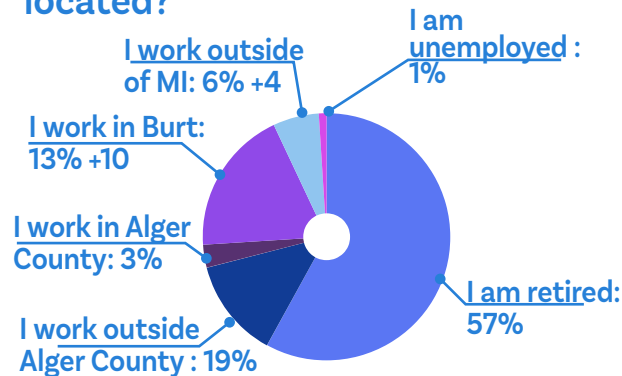
No, I spend less than 3 months a year in Burt Township: 39%



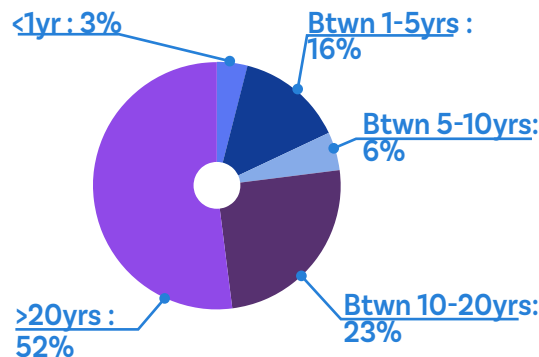
Yes: 36%

No, I leave in the winter: 25%

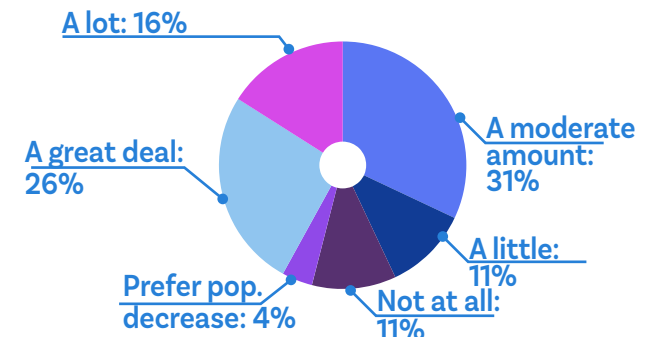
Where is your place of employment located?



How long have you lived and/or owned property in Burt Township?



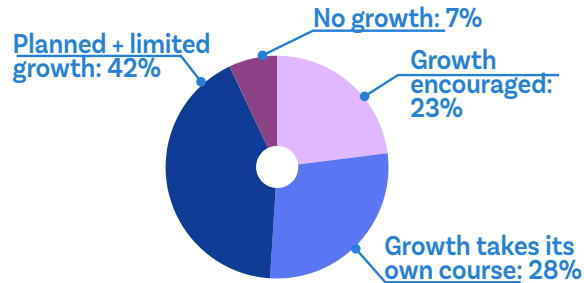
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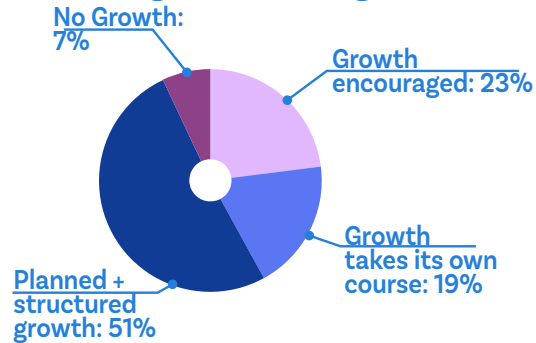


COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT + LAND USE

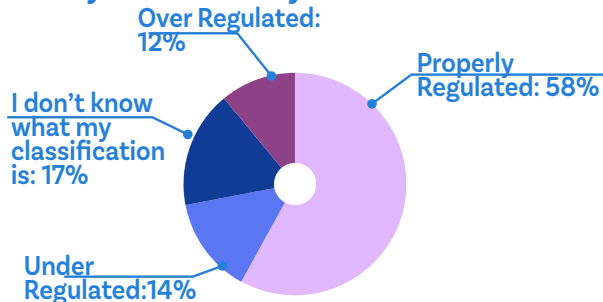
What strategy would you prefer for Residential growth management?



What strategy would you prefer for Commercial growth management?

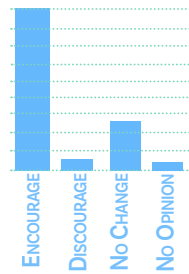


Under the current zoning regulations do you feel that you are...

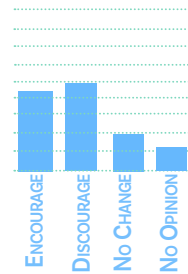


Would you encourage or discourage the following land uses in Burt Township...

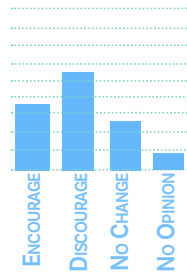
RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT (SINGLE FAMILY HOMES)



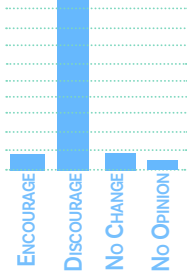
RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT (MULTIPLE UNITS)



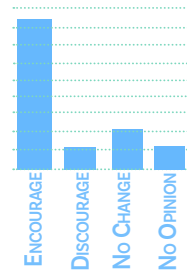
TOWNHOUSES/ CONDOMINIUMS



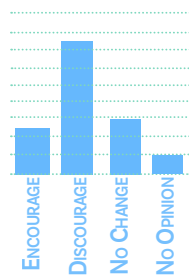
MOBILE HOME PARKS



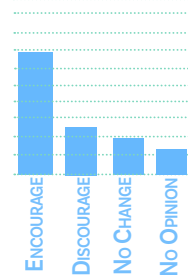
SIDEWALKS



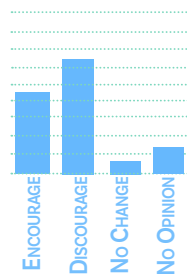
SHORT-TERM RENTALS IN RESIDENTIAL AREAS



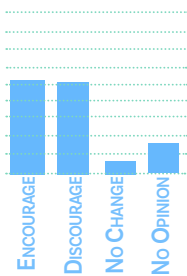
GREEN CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS



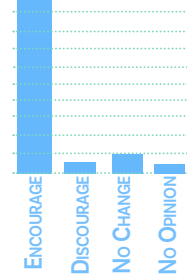
WIND TURBINES OR WIND FARMS



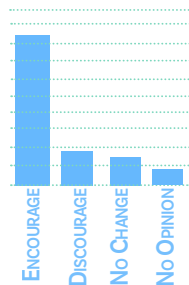
LARGE SCALE SOLAR ARRAYS



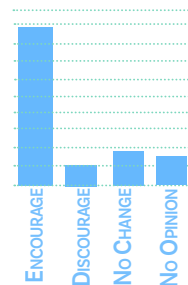
PROTECTION OPEN SPACE/ NATURAL RESOURCES



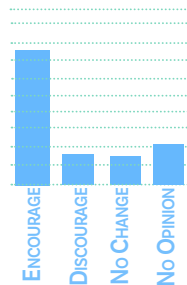
AFFORDABLE HOUSING



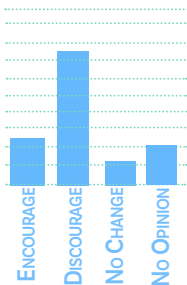
SENIOR/ASSISTED LIVING



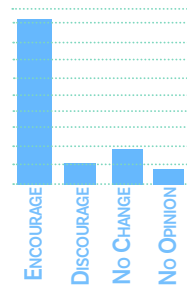
ORGANIC AGRICULTURE



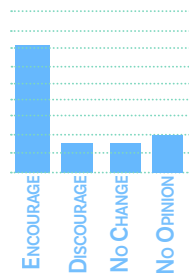
MARIJUANA FACILITIES



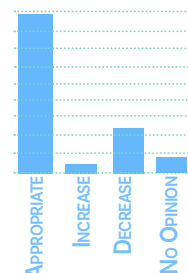
BIKE PATHS/LANES



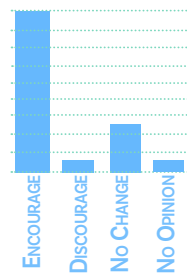
CONVENTIONAL AGRICULTURE



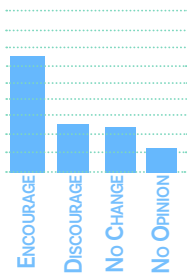
PUBLIC GREEN SPACE



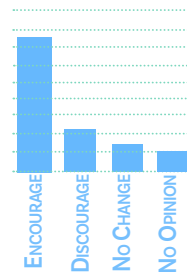
TOWNSHIP PARK



COMMERCIAL DEVELOPMENT

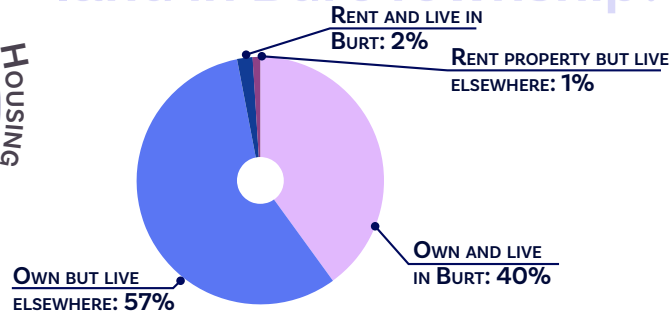


COMMERCIAL COMMUNICATION

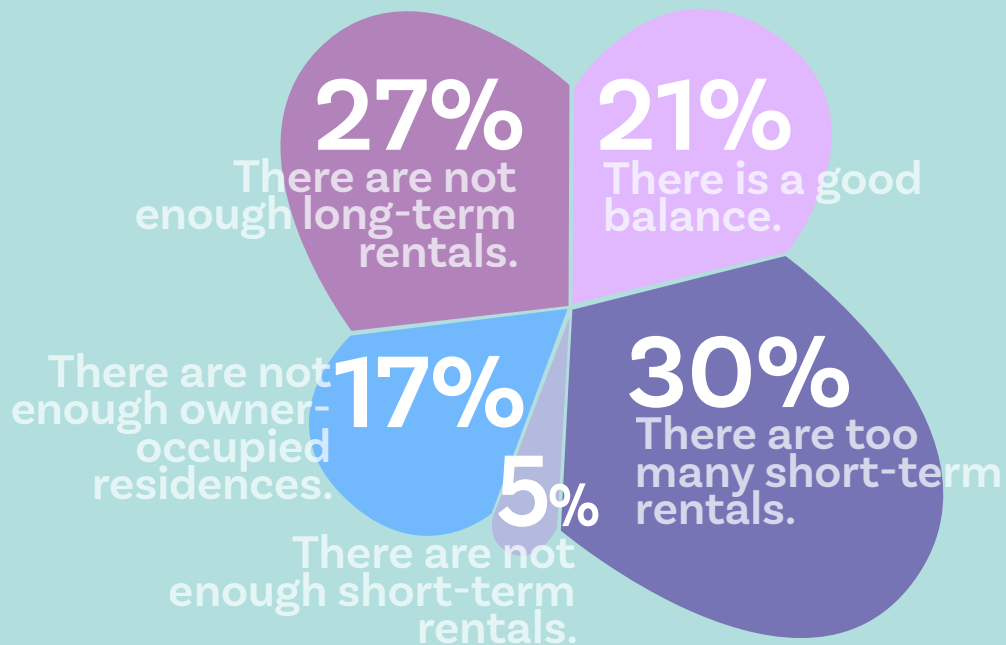




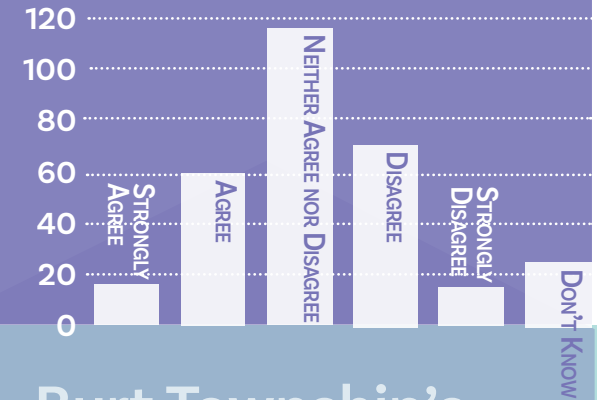
Do you rent or own land in Burt Township?



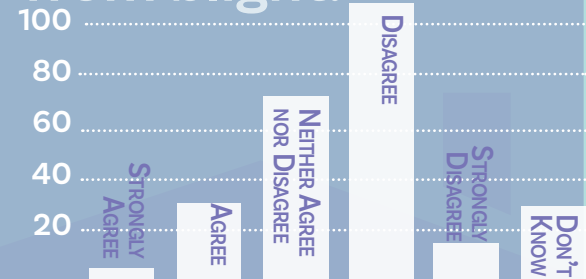
How do you feel about the proportion of short-term rentals to long-term rentals and homeowner occupied residences?



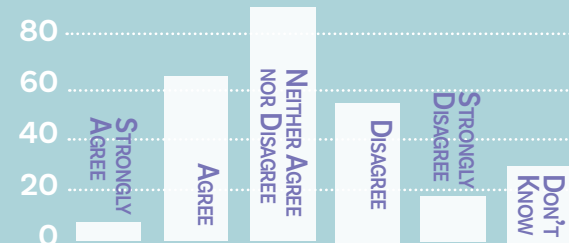
Burt Township's housing is out of date.



Burt Township's housing suffers from blight.



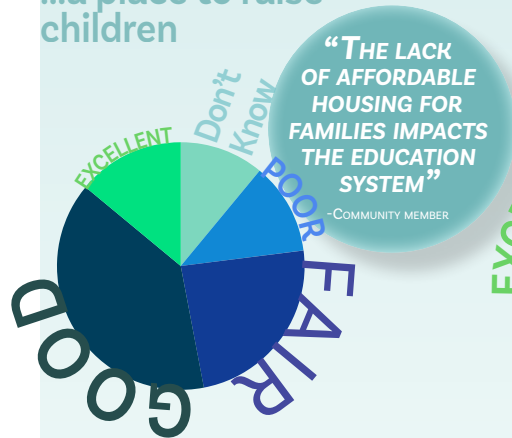
Burt Township's housing is Updated.



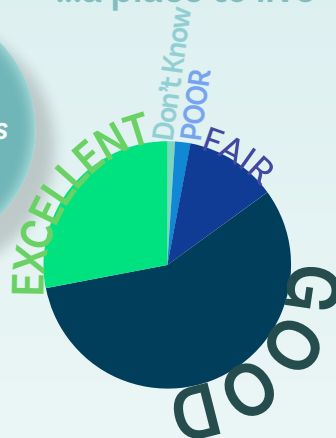


How would you rate Burt Township as...

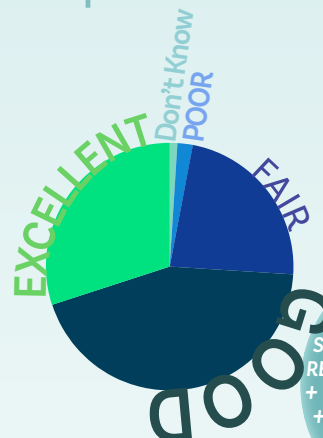
...a place to raise children



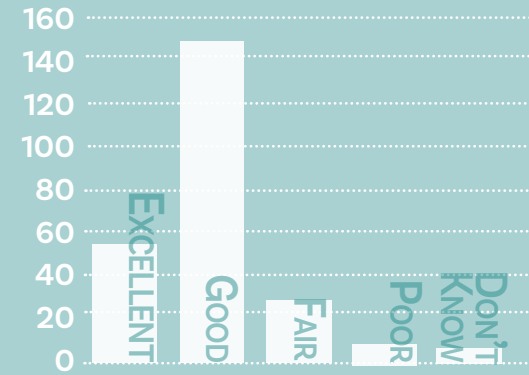
...a place to live



...a place to retire



How would you describe the quality of life in Burt Township?



“HAS DECLINED IN THE PAST FEW YEARS”

“NEED TO FOCUS ON LOCAL RESIDENTS + NOT SELL OUT TO THE TOURIST DOLLAR.”
-RESIDENT

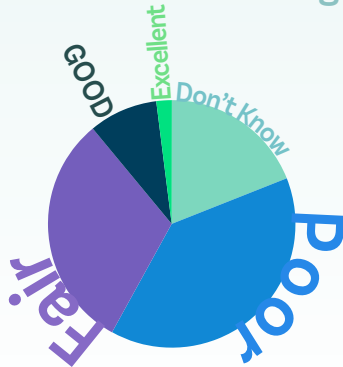
“No COMMERCIALLY SUPPORTED SYSTEM FOR RETIRED + AGING SENIORS + CERTAINLY NO MEDICAL + EMERGENCY SUPPORT”
-COMMUNITY MEMBER

How would you rate Burt Township's...

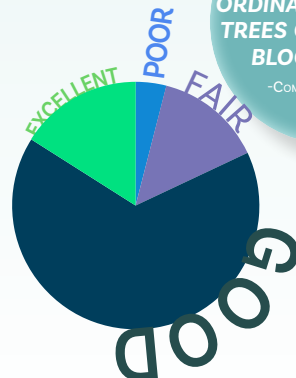
...sense of community



...access to affordable housing

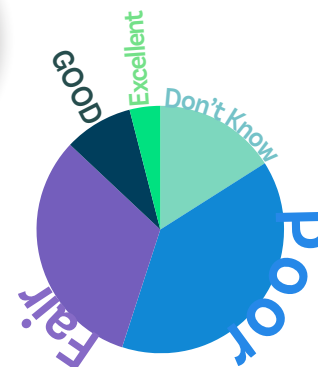


...overall appearance



“OUTHouses VIOLATE TOWN ORDINANCE -- NEED TREES OR FENCE TO BLOCK VIEW.”
-COMMUNITY MEMBER

...job opportunities





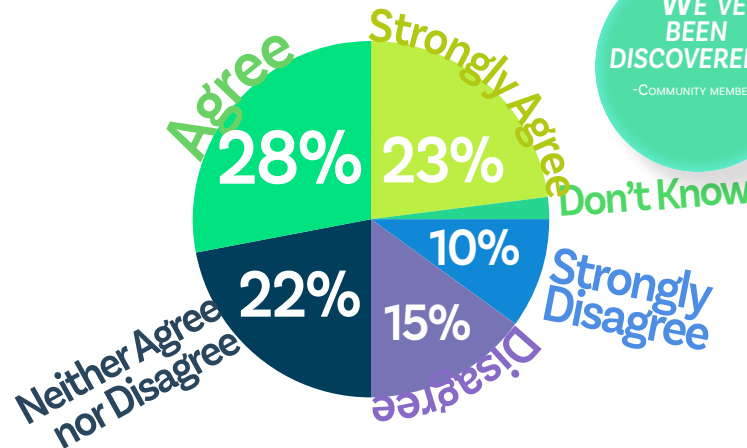
"THE TOWN'S QUAIN, HISTORICAL ATMOSPHERE COUPLED WITH THE NATURAL BEAUTY OF THE HARBOR."
-COMMUNITY MEMBER

Burt would benefit from focusing more energy into promoting its unique natural assets and local culture to draw more residents and visitors.

"ABUNDANCE IN NATURE FOR GRAND MARAIS IS CENTERED ON PEACEFUL EXPERIENCES OUTDOORS AND QUIET IS PART OF IT."
-COMMUNITY MEMBER

"IF YOU WANT TO ENCOURAGE TOURISM AND BRINGING PEOPLE INTO THE AREA, YOU MUST ALSO ADDRESS THE IMPACT."
-COMMUNITY MEMBER

"WE'VE BEEN DISCOVERED!"
-COMMUNITY MEMBER



"FOOD TRUCKS SHOULD NOT BE ALLOWED TO BLOCK VIEW OF THE BAY, MOVE TO COMMUNITY CENTER."
-COMMUNITY MEMBER

Are there any particularly sensitive areas that need protected? Where?

Bay
Area+Shoreline

Greenspace in Town + the View Trails
School Forest/
Woodlands Beach +
Dunes Scenery
Dark Skies Waters

ELEMENTS SURVEY RESPONDENTS MOST FREQUENTLY PARTOOK IN. THE LARGER THE FONT THE MORE RESPONDENTS WHO LISTED THE ITEM.



ENERGY

"LEAVE
NATURAL
AREAS THE WAY
THEY ARE."

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

"THERE IS
ENOUGH WIND ON
EARTH TO MORE THAN
POWER THE WORLD. USE
IT. GIVE TAX BREAKS FOR
INSTALLING IT"

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

Rank your priorities for sustainable energy and infrastructure that should be considered in Burt Township.

LOWEST PRIORITY

HIGHEST PRIORITY

6%

WIND FARMS

8%

ELECTRIC VEHICLE
CHARGING STATIONS

9%

SOLAR ARRAYS

10%

MORE ENERGY
EFFICIENT
BUILDINGS

12%

NONE OF THESE
MEASURES ARE
NEEDED

27%

REDUCING DIRECT
RUNOFF INTO WATER
BODIES

28%

CLEAN DRINKING
WATER

A wind turbine installation would be acceptable if...

Never
acceptable
42%

Anytime
24%

It was greater than
1/2 mile from my
home: 5%

It was more
than 2 miles
from my home:
29%

Never
acceptable
36%

Anytime
29%

It was less than
1/2 mile from my
house: 3%

It was greater than
1/2 mile from my
home: 6%

It was more
than 2 miles
from my home:
26%

A large solar array installation would be acceptable if...

Why?

POTENTIAL WILDLIFE IMPACTS

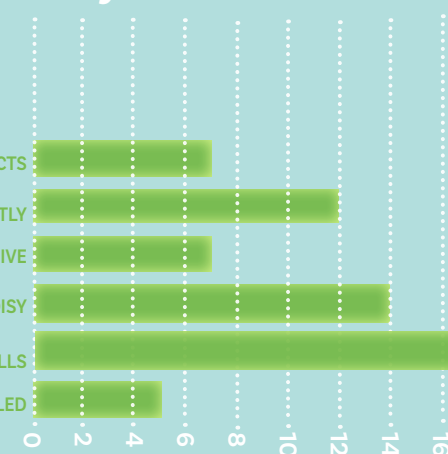
THEY ARE UNSIGHTLY

THEY ARE EXPENSIVE

THEY ARE NOISY

PUT THEM ON THE HILLS

THEY CAN'T BE RECYCLED



"IT TAKES SO
MANY RESOURCES
AND SO MUCH ENERGY
TO BUILD ONE THAT THEY
COULD SPIN THEMSELVES
INTO OBLIVION AND NEVER
GENERATE ENOUGH ENERGY
TO PAY FOR THEIR OWN
CONSTRUCTION"



INFRASTRUCTURE + FACILITIES

How would you rate community improvements including...

...the breakwall installation



"FINGER DOCKS SHOULD BE ADDED TO THE MARINA TO GENERATE MORE INCOME"

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

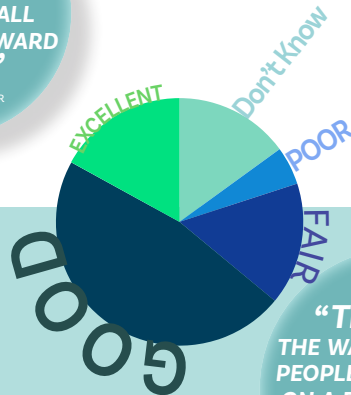
"NEW DIESEL BACK AT MARINA IS AWFUL LOOKING ON WATERFRONT"

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

...the public water system

"THERE SHOULD HAVE BEEN AN ARM OF THE BREAKWALL THAT WENT TOWARD THE EAST"

-COMMUNITY MEMBER



"THE COST OF THE WATER HAS HURT PEOPLE IN THIS TOWN ON A FIXED INCOME."

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

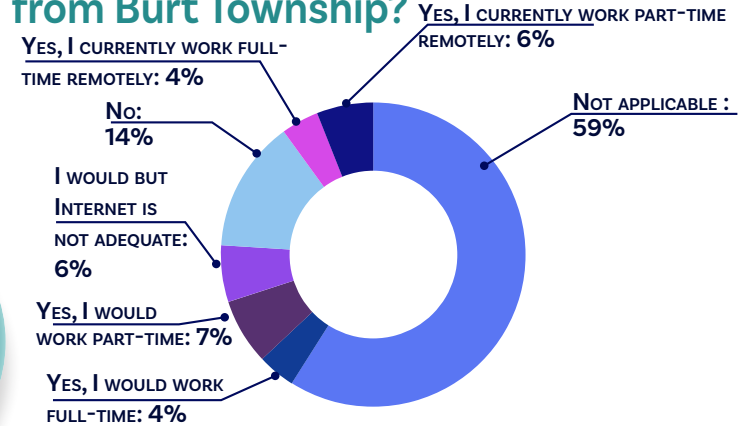
"THE SURCHARGE OF \$44 IS WAY TOO MUCH. THE FEE FOR TURNING ON/OFF IS WAY TOO MUCH TOO"

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

"NOT MANY IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE COMMUNITY AS A WHOLE -- MOST HAVE BEEN ORIENTED TO TRANSITIONAL TOURISM"

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

Would you like to work remotely from Burt Township?



Is parking within Grand Marais well placed allowing for reasonable walking distances to shops and restaurants?



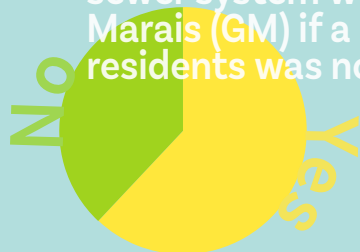
"Too CONGESTED ON LAKE DRIVE"

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

"NEED ADA ACCESSIBLE PARKING SPACES"

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

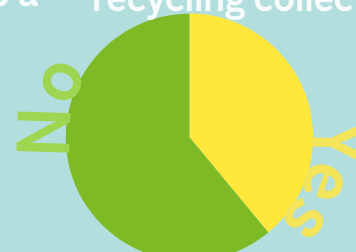
Would you support the installation of a community sewer system within Grand Marais (GM) if a user fee for GM residents was not needed?

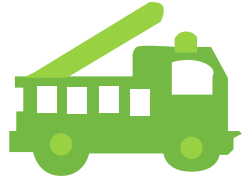


Would you support a user fee for Grand Marais (GM) village residents to develop a community sewer system?



Would you be willing to pay a monthly fee for curbside recycling collection services?





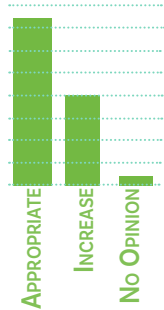
INFRASTRUCTURE + FACILITIES

**"NO PLOWING
INTO THE LAKE;
GAS STATION
POLLUTES!!!"**

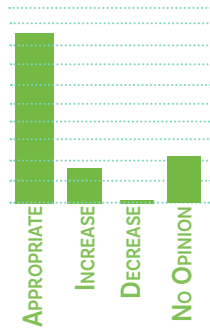
-COMMUNITY MEMBER

For each of the services below please indicate whether you think the level of service is...

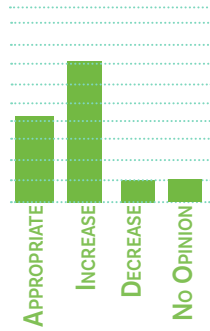
ROAD MAINTENANCE



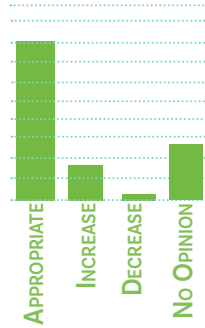
SNOW PLOWING



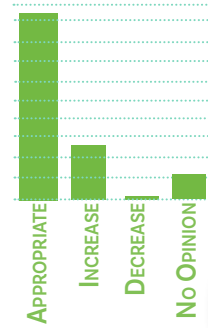
POLICE PROTECTION



BUILDINGS FOR PUBLIC USE



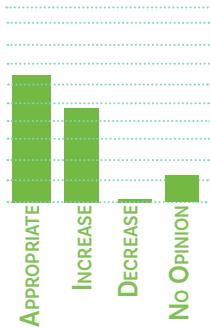
PUBLIC RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES



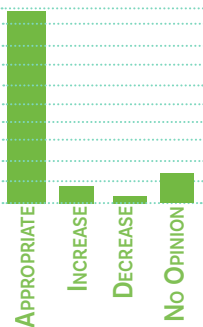
**"USE BIG NEW
BUILDING AS A
WELCOME CENTER/
BATHROOMS; GREAT
JOB FOR A SEASONAL
PARK PERSON IN
WINTER"**

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

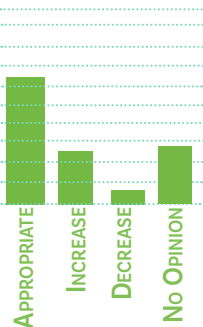
FIRE PROTECTION/ RESCUE



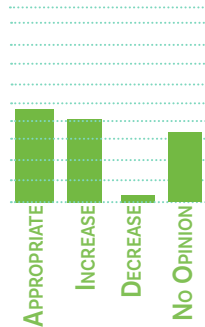
TOWNSHIP OFFICE SERVICES



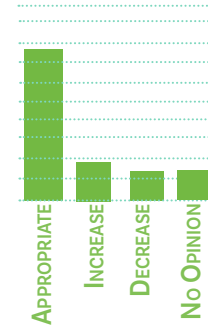
BUILDING CODE ENFORCEMENT



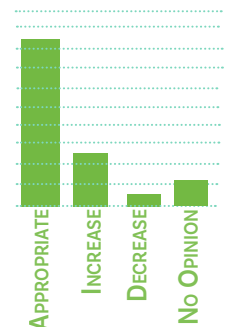
CODE ENFORCEMENT FOR BLIGHT



STREETLIGHTS



COMMUNITY EVENTS



**"NEED
A LIGHT BY
METHODIST
CHURCH AND
M-77"**

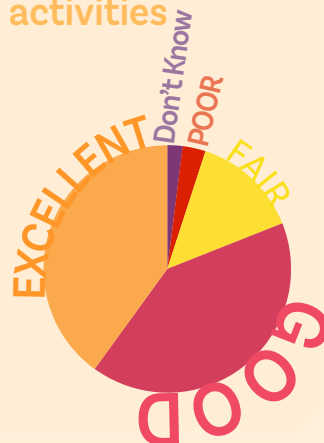
-COMMUNITY MEMBER



How would you rate Burt Township's...

...recreation opportunities

...opportunities for leisure time activities



ACTIVITIES SURVEY RESPONDENTS MOST FREQUENTLY PARTOOK IN. THE LARGER THE FONT THE MORE RESPONDENTS WHO LISTED THE ACTIVITY.

Hiking biking
beach ORV/
snowmobile Music+Events camping

sailing walking
Rock Picking Gardening/
Harvesting boating gardening
kayaking+canoeing
fishing sightseeing
hunting x-skiing/
snowshoeing

Single Mentions: sledding, snorkeling, horseback riding, sled dog racing, disk golf

"IN THE 20YRS WE HAVE SPENT TIME THE TOWNSHIP HAS GONE FROM A NICE LITTLE VILLAGE TO WAY TOO MANY ATV'S RACING AROUND TOWN IN SUMMER."

-COMMUNITY MEMBER

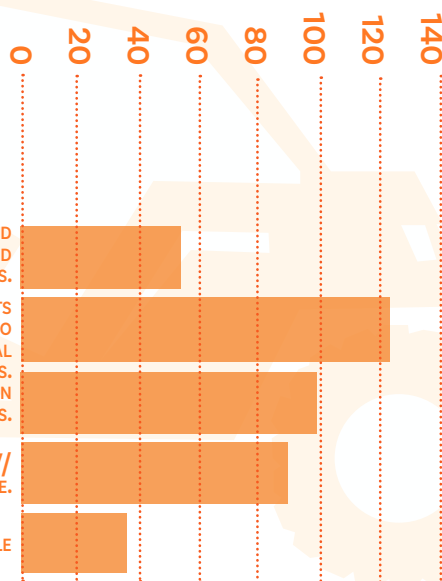
ELIMINATE ORVs AND SNOWMOBILES FROM ALL NATURAL AREAS AND COUNTY/LOCAL STREETS UNLESS ON STATE DESIGNATED MOTORIZED TRAILS.

I WELCOME ORV AND/OR SNOWMOBILE USE ON DESIGNATED STREETS AND TRAILS BUT BELIEVE THERE SHOULD BE ADDITIONAL MEASURES TO ENFORCE RULES AND RESTRICT USE ON PUBLIC LANDS AND NATURAL AREAS.

I WOULD LIKE TO SEE ORV/SNOWMOBILE USE RESTRICTED IN NEIGHBORHOODS IN GRAND MARAIS.

I SUPPORT AND SEE AN ECONOMIC BENEFIT IN PROMOTING ORV/ SNOWMOBILE USE.

I COULDN'T LIVE WITHOUT MY ORV/SNOWMOBILE



The prevalence of ORVs and snowmobiles within the Township + its natural areas has seen a steady increase over the past few years. Please indicate your perspective on ORV and snowmobile use within the Township.

In the last year, what recreational activities have you or a member of your household participated in?



VALUES + GOALS

