



# BEAVERCREEK AGE-FRIENDLY COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Beavercreek community participated in an AARP Age-Friendly Livable Community Survey, gathering community input that will guide future aging-related initiatives and efforts to improve livability for residents of all ages. The initiative is fully funded through a grant from The Dayton Foundation.

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Summary of Results

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## Executive Summary

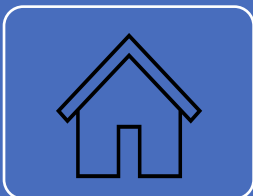
The Beavercreek Age-Friendly Livable Community initiative received an exceptional level of community engagement, **with more than 900 residents participating** in the survey. This strong response—**driven largely by adults age 65 and older, who represented 45% of respondents**—reflects the community’s deep interest in shaping a more age-friendly Beavercreek.

The survey was designed and implemented by Measurement Resources Company, an independent evaluator, in partnership with local leaders. Adapted from the nationally respected AARP Age-Friendly Livable Community Survey, the assessment used a strong, mixed-method approach that included a community-wide survey, a focus group, and comprehensive data analysis. This process ensured reliable, credible, and new insights into resident experiences.

A wide distribution strategy supported this high participation. **Surveys were shared through community networks, local organizations, press release newsletters, and word of mouth.** Paper and online formats were both available, and targeted outreach at locations such as the Senior Center helped reach older residents. The survey remained open for one month, inviting anyone who lives, works, or is familiar with Beavercreek to share their perspective.

The following findings represent community input gathered through the survey, providing an evidence-based foundation for understanding Beavercreek’s strengths and opportunities.

### Community Strengths Identified by Respondents:



#### The Senior Center is a Vital Hub

The Senior Center is recognized as a vital hub for social engagement, health, and wellness. The Center’s welcoming atmosphere and diverse programming help foster lifelong friendships and support healthy aging. Many respondents would like there to be more investment in the Senior Center to keep it open for longer hours.



#### Recreational Areas are Valued and Important

Parks, bike paths, green spaces, and wetlands are highly valued, with 84% of respondents rating them as highly important. These spaces greatly contribute to the community’s quality of life and are frequently used for recreation.



#### Health and Safety Services are Highly Regarded

Access to healthcare services is a top priority, and satisfaction with emergency services—including EMS, fire, and police—is exceptionally high (about 86% very satisfied). Respondents appreciate the professionalism, quality, and responsiveness of these services, which contribute to a strong sense of safety and well-being.

## Opportunities for Beavercreek to Become Even Better:



**Affordable, Age-Friendly Housing:** While 72% of respondents wish to remain in Beavercreek, concerns about rising housing costs and the lack of suitable single-story homes persist. There is a need for more affordable, accessible housing options that support independent living for older adults.



**Social Connection and Inclusion:** Over half of respondents (53%) feel only somewhat or not at all connected to the community, indicating room to strengthen social ties. Expanding affordable or free activities, hosting more community-wide events, and extending Senior Center hours could help foster greater inclusion across all age groups.



**Recreation, Dining, and Shopping:** Many respondents expressed interest in a wider variety of dining and shopping options (40%), as well as more diverse entertainment experiences. Supporting businesses and promoting community events can boost both social connection and economic vitality.



**Physical Connectivity and Transportation:** Improving walkability through enhanced sidewalks, bike paths, and safe crossings is essential, as nearly a quarter (24%) feel that current paths do not connect them well at all to key destinations. Expanded transportation options for seniors and people with disabilities can also reduce isolation and improve access to key destinations.



**Maintenance and Safety of Public Spaces:** Continued investment in the safety and upkeep of parks, trails, and green spaces remains important to respondents. Suggestions include adding recycling bins, improving lighting, and adding more restrooms to enhance safety, usability, and enjoyment.

Together, these findings provide a strong foundation for action planning and continued collaboration to support Beavercreek as a thriving, age-friendly community.

## Introduction

Beavercreek Township has been around since the early days of Greene County. In 1980, part of the township became the City of Beavercreek so neighbors could keep local control and prevent being absorbed by nearby cities. Today, the City and Township are separate entities, but they work side by side to serve the people who call Beavercreek home.

The City of Beavercreek and Beavercreek Township (referred to as Beavercreek throughout this report when speaking about both as a whole) partnered to launch an American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Age-Friendly Livable Community Survey as part of their ongoing commitment to support residents at every stage of life. Funded through a grant from The Dayton Foundation, the initiative was designed to gather community input that will guide future aging-related efforts and improve livability for all residents.

Measurement Resources Company (MRC) was engaged to design and implement the project, which included a community-wide survey, focus group, and data analysis to identify strengths, needs, and opportunities.

The survey explored key topics such as housing, transportation, accessibility, healthcare, and social activities. Responses from respondents across the community provide valuable insight into current experiences and priorities for the future.

This report summarizes those findings and highlights the perspectives shared by the community of Beavercreek. The results will help community leaders shape strategies that ensure the community remains welcoming, accessible, and livable as the population ages.

## Methods

MRC, and leaders from The City of Beavercreek and Beavercreek Township, co-created a community survey adapted from the AARP Age-Friendly Livable Community Survey. Questions were tailored to better understand what is working well and what could be improved to make the local community more age-friendly in the following areas:

1. Home and community
2. Transportation
3. Recreation and local news sources
4. Health and safety

**There were over 900 valid survey responses representing all adult age groups, with the largest representation (45%) from individuals age 65 or older.**

(See Appendix A, Table 1 for more information about survey responses.)

The survey was distributed throughout the community using local networks and word of mouth. Locations that primarily serve retired populations, such as the Senior Center, were specifically targeted for survey distribution. Survey links and flyers were also shared through a press release

newsletter. Surveys were available in paper and online formats and remained open for approximately one month.

Everyone who lives or works in, or is familiar with, Beavercreek was invited to participate.

In addition to the survey, MRC attended a monthly Senior Advisory Board meeting at the Senior Center to host a focus group and gather additional contextual information related to the survey findings. For a review of data analysis, see Appendix A.

## Recommendations Grounded in Key Findings

The Beavercreek community will ultimately determine the goals they will focus on over the next few years. To support this process, MRC has developed data-driven recommendations grounded in the survey's key findings. The recommendations focus on how to improve home and community, getting around the community, recreational areas, and health and safety in Beavercreek, particularly for those aging in place. Complete data results can be seen in Appendix A.

### Housing and Sense of Community

***Respondents perceive Beavercreek as a great place to live as they age, and they want to stay, but it must be affordable and age friendly.***

When asked to rate Beavercreek as a place for people to live as they age, approximately half (49.7%) of respondents rated it as a *very good* or *excellent* place for people to live.<sup>1</sup> In addition, about 72% of respondents expect to remain in Beavercreek over the next 10 years. Focus group participants shared:

“Beavercreek is beautiful. The people make it beautiful.”

“[Beavercreek is] convenient, geographically speaking, for those who are active and want to go to Cincinnati or Columbus.”

Similar to national findings showing that many older adults wish to remain in their homes but feel that rising housing costs may make moving inevitable,<sup>2</sup> **residents of Beavercreek who reported being likely to move within the next 10 years most often cited reasons related to their ability to age in place.**

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<sup>1</sup> In this 5-point quality scale, poor or fair represents an assessment below expectations, good represents meeting expectations, and very good or excellent represents exceeding expectations.

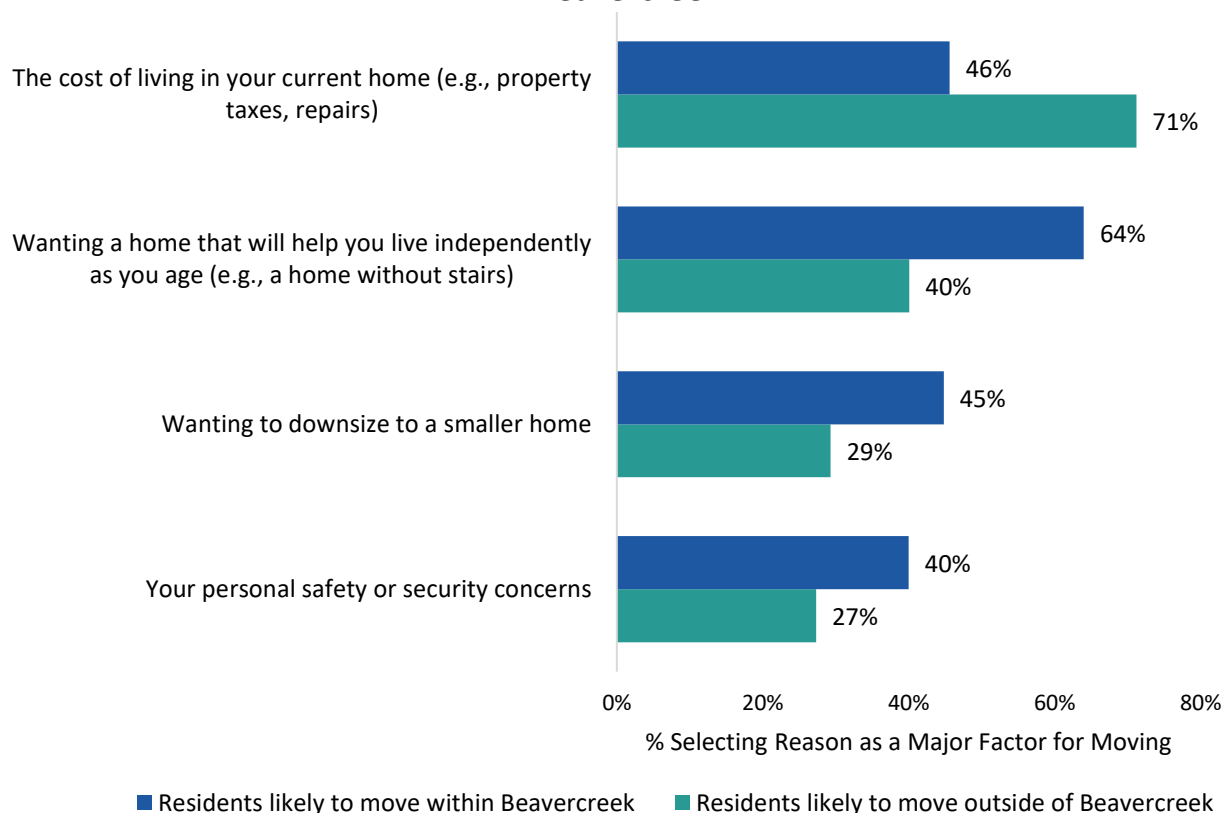
<sup>2</sup> AARP. (2024, December 10). Older adults want to age-in-place, but many don't expect they'll be able to. [AARP Survey: Older Adults Want to Stay in Home, Community](#)

As shown in Figure 1, those likely to move *outside* of Beavercreek most frequently mentioned the cost of living in their current home and the desire for a home that supports independent living as they age (e.g., one without stairs) as reasons to move.

Among those likely to move *within* Beavercreek, common reasons include wanting a home that will help them live independently as they age, concerns about the cost of living in their current home, a desire to downsize, and personal safety (Figure 1). (For additional reasons residents consider moving, see Appendix A, Table 5.)

These findings suggest a need for greater support to help older residents afford and have access to homes that are both safe and suitable for aging in place.

Figure 1. Top Major Factors Influencing Moves In and Out of Beavercreek



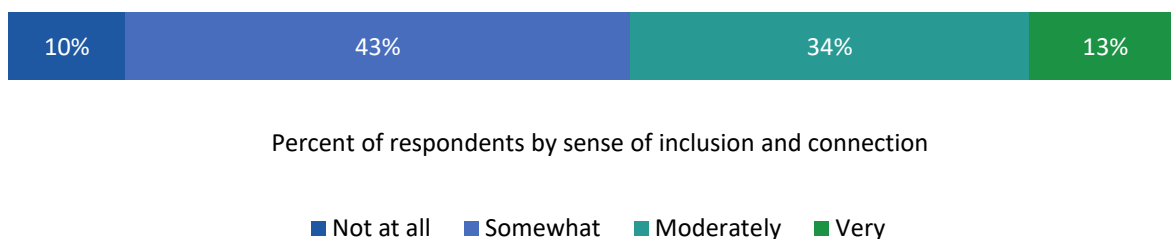
In addition to concerns about being able to afford to stay in their current homes, mostly due to high property taxes, open-ended survey responses revealed worries about the rapid pace of new housing developments. Respondents noted that many of the new homes are large “mansion-style” or uniform two-story houses, rather than single-story, cottage-style homes that would allow seniors to downsize and age in place.

**Recommendation 1:** Advocate for new housing developments to include single-story homes for the aging community while continuing to develop and promote programs which may give residents affordable options for making their homes more accessible and safer as they age.

### *A sense of community can be improved by focusing on age-friendly recreational activities and physical connectedness*

While survey respondents rated Beavercreek as a *very good to excellent* place to live as one ages, **there is opportunity to strengthen respondents' connection to the community—both socially and in terms of mobility**. Approximately 47% of respondents said they feel *moderately* or *very* connected and included in their community. However, this leaves more than half (53%) who feel *not at all* or only *somewhat* connected and included (Figure 2). This pattern was relatively consistent across age groups, suggesting an opportunity to help respondents of all ages feel more connected and included in Beavercreek.

Figure 2. Extent to Which Respondents Feel Included and Connected to Others in Beavercreek



### *Dining, Shopping, and Activities*

At a national level, the desire for social connection opportunities is on the rise for all adults.<sup>3</sup> To help people feel more connected at the local level in Beavercreek, it can be helpful to know where people spend their time. More than three-quarters of respondents (77%) reported spending most of their recreational time going out for food or drinks, and nearly half reported spending their time visiting shopping centers (46%). About 40% of respondents felt it was *very* or *extremely* important for Beavercreek to improve the variety of food, drink, and shopping establishments.<sup>4</sup>

In open-ended responses, many respondents suggested having more businesses and expanding dining options, such as:

<sup>3</sup> AARP. (2024, December 10). Older adults want to age-in-place, but many don't expect they'll be able to. [AARP Survey: Older Adults Want to Stay in Home, Community](#)

<sup>4</sup> Based on a 5-point Likert scale from not at all, not very, somewhat, very, to extremely important.



- Bakeries
- Additional coffee shops
- More non-fast-food options
- Restaurants offering international cuisines

Further, although many respondents spend time in places that involve spending money, such as dining and shopping, 42% also reported that it is *extremely* important for Beavercreek to improve access to affordable or free activities.<sup>5</sup> In open-ended responses, respondents often suggested hosting more community-wide events—such as concerts and festivals—to enhance recreational experiences, noting that these activities also need better promotion.

**Another commonly cited suggestion to improve affordable recreational opportunities was to extend the Senior Center’s hours so respondents could participate in activities in the evenings or on weekends.** Approximately 20% of survey respondents over 55 years of age reported spending time at the Senior Center. Focus group participants emphasized its importance, sharing:

“The Senior Center—what’s not to like? Most complaints I heard are from people in pickleball. They are younger and work, and the hours have been cut.”

“When people join the Senior Center, they make friendships that they can keep for life.”

Overall, considering that many respondents spend much of their recreational time at restaurants and shopping centers, there is an opportunity to expand the variety and affordability of these options. **Respondents expressed interest in more diverse, and reasonably priced establishments that offer different types of food, shopping, and entertainment experiences.** This local level data is aligned with national level data that found among the top five social features adults want to enhance their social connections include a variety of restaurants and retail shops, and affordable activities.<sup>6</sup>

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**Recommendation 2:** Enhance variety and affordability in community activities, dining, and shopping options to foster inclusion and connection among residents of all ages. Specifically, increase awareness of and access to community activities and events that appeal to older adults while ensuring opportunities remain inclusive for all age groups. Prioritize expanding low-cost or free recreational options, such as community-wide events and social gatherings, to make participation more accessible. In addition, explore strategies to diversify dining and shopping establishments that offer a wider range of affordable options. Extending Senior Center hours and addressing staffing challenges could further support engagement and social connection among older residents.

### *Parks, Bike Paths, Green Spaces, and Wetlands*

Survey respondents of Beavercreek also spend most of their time outside their homes in parks, bike paths, wetlands, and green spaces (62%).

About 84% of respondents rated parks, bike paths, green spaces, and wetlands as *moderately* to *very* important in Beavercreek.<sup>7</sup> Respondents under the age of 55 years appeared to value these slightly more than older respondents, with 72% of those under 55 rating them as *very* important compared to 57% of those ages 55 and older.

While the parks, bike paths, wetlands, and green spaces are valued assets in the community, many respondents feel there is still room for improvement. Specifically, approximately 65% of respondents said it was *very* to *extremely* important that Beavercreek focus on improving the safety and maintenance of these areas.<sup>8</sup>

**84%**

Feel parks, bike paths, green spaces, and wetlands are moderately to very important to the community

**62%**

Reported spending most of their time outside their home in parks, bike paths, green spaces, and wetlands

**65%**

Feel it is very to extremely important for Beavercreek to focus on improving safe and well-maintained parks, bike paths, green spaces, and wetlands

Based on open-ended responses, respondents suggested several ways to enhance these spaces, including:

- Adding recycling bins
- Better lighting
- Keeping the parks clean
- Adding restrooms

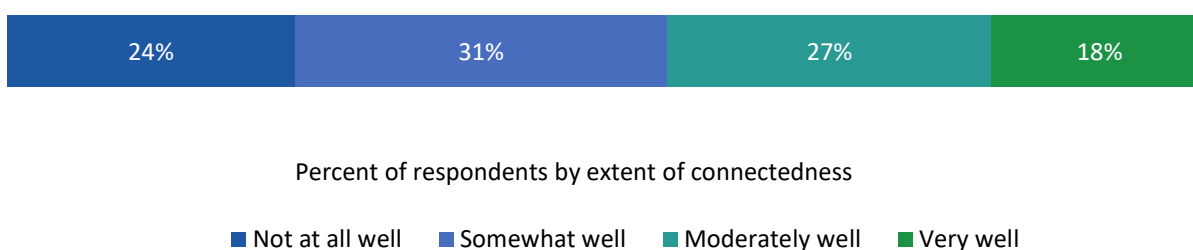
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<sup>8</sup> Based on a 5-point Likert scale from not at all, not very, somewhat, very, to extremely important.

### Physical Connections: Getting Around the Community

For most daily activities, respondents most often reported driving themselves (98%), walking (46%), or riding a bike (34%). While nearly half said they usually walk around town and over a quarter ride a bike, fewer than half (45%) of respondents feel that the current bike paths, trails, and sidewalks connect them *very or moderately* well to key destinations such as parks, shopping areas, libraries, and schools (Figure 3).<sup>9</sup>

Figure 3. How Well the Current Bike Paths, Trails, or Sidewalks Connect Respondents to Key Destinations in Beavercreek



Among those who said they *do not at all* feel connected or included in their community, 46% also said the sidewalks, paths, and trails *do not at all* well connect respondents to their destinations. This suggests that **improving walkability and connectivity through sidewalks, paths, and trails could help strengthen respondents' sense of connection and inclusion.**

In fact, when asked how their experience in recreational spaces could be improved, a few of the top frequently mentioned themes included:

- Adding more sidewalks and improving connections between them
- Fixing traffic issues—such as congestion, signal timing, traffic law enforcement, adjusting speed limits, adding speed bumps, and better planning out road construction projects
- Expanding and connecting bike paths to improve access
- Making all paths safer—such as adding signaled crosswalks, more lighting, removing obstructed views of sidewalks, ensuring areas are well lit

Among respondents ages 55 years and older, 52% feel it is *very or extremely* important for Beavercreek to continue focusing on accessible transportation services for people with disabilities and older adults, while only 5% said it is *not at all* important.<sup>10</sup> Focus group participants also emphasized the value of these transportation services in reducing isolation and improving access to community destinations. Regarding the senior bus, participants shared:

<sup>9</sup> Based on a 4-point Likert scale from not well at all, somewhat, moderately, to very well.

<sup>10</sup> Based on a 5-point Likert scale from not at all, not very, somewhat, very, to extremely important.

“The transportation is huge—we see the bus multiple times a day. That’s cost effective for seniors who have limited funds and want to get to places.”

“I never don’t see the senior bus and it’s so great.”

“Without the senior bus people would be more isolated.”

**Recommendation 3:** Prioritize connection points where people already travel frequently, such as sidewalks and bike paths leading to dining and shopping areas and green spaces. Ensure these routes have working crosswalk lights, good lighting, and safe crossings. Continue to support and advertise special transportation services for seniors and those with disabilities. A longer-term project should include an assessment of gaps in sidewalks or trails to popular community gathering spots (e.g., library, school, dining and shopping centers).

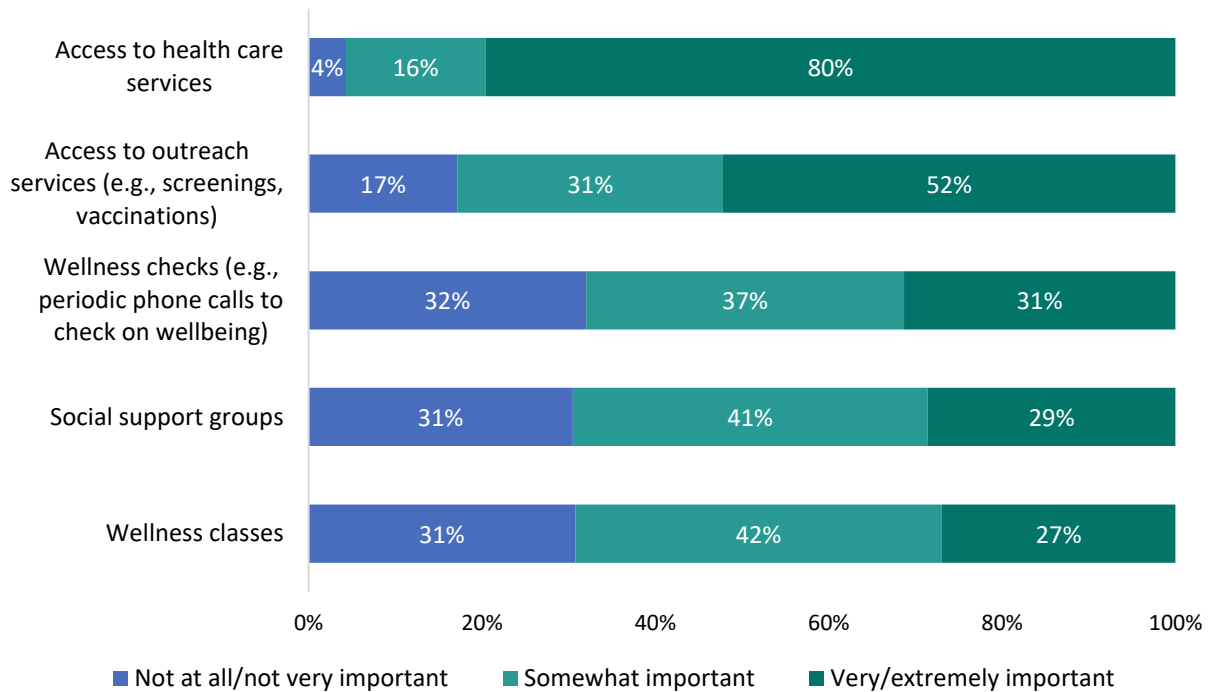
## Health and Safety

### *Access to healthcare is highly valued*

Health and safety are top priorities for Beavercreek respondents, particularly as the population continues to age. Nearly 80% of respondents rated having access to healthcare services in Beavercreek as *very* or *extremely* important, and over half (52%) view having access to outreach services such as screenings and vaccinations as *very* or *extremely* important (Figure 4).

As the community grows older, ensuring that respondents can easily reach these services—through special transportation programs and well-connected sidewalks, paths, and trails—will remain an important part of supporting overall health and independence.

Figure 4. Importance of Beaver Creek Having the Following



One key destination for promoting health and wellness is the Senior Center, which provides opportunities for both physical activity and preventive health services. In a focus group, participants highlighted its importance, noting:

“The Senior Center makes it economical for seniors to get healthy through gym, classes, or soft yoga. The Senior Center is extremely welcoming to the community. The leaders sit with their office doors open, and they are always welcoming. Staff are always able to help out and help in the gym. And in the gym, we see others just like me, not the big body builders like in other gyms.”

**Recommendation 4:** Continue to prioritize the accessibility of health and prevention services offered at the Senior Center. Explore opportunities to generate funds to support low-cost preventative health care and ensure that new initiatives and policies do not jeopardize the accessibility of the Senior Center and the health and prevention services provided there.

### *There is high satisfaction with safety services, and they are viewed as important*

Satisfaction with the Beaver Creek Township Fire Department and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) is exceptionally high. Among those who used the services, about 85% rated their EMS

experience as *very* satisfied, and approximately 86% gave the same rating for fire protection services, which include smoke detector and carbon monoxide issues. Overall, *very* satisfied ratings were highest for the department’s professionalism (73%), quality of service (72%), and response time (69%).<sup>11</sup> One focus group participants shared:

“Several people have had to be removed from their home and taken to the hospital and the EMS is always very aware of the needs. For example, like when my friend fell in the shower they brought a female EMT to help her.”

Additionally, the City of Beavercreek Police Department received *very* satisfied ratings for professionalism (58%), Dispatch Call Center (56%), and quality of service (56%).<sup>12</sup> Participants in the focus group agree:

“We have an excellent police department and fire department. This is a community where people do not fear going out at night. Safety is a key factor that makes this community great.”

While those who used the services reported high satisfaction with emergency services, nearly 80% of survey respondents rated emergency response as *very* or *extremely* important for Beavercreek to focus on improving.<sup>13</sup> This suggests that, despite positive experiences, many respondents believe emergency response should remain a priority for future community investments.

Further, while Beavercreek respondents value strong emergency response systems, this local priority also reflects a national trend. National-level data show that new or improved technology is part of many adults’ plans to age in place, including medical emergency response systems and home safety features such as installing doorbell and surveillance cameras. Others plan to install smart home devices, such as voice-activated assistants or smart appliances.<sup>14</sup>

**Recommendation 5:** Continue to prioritize and invest in emergency services—including Fire, EMS, and Police—by maintaining high standards for professionalism, response time, and service quality. Regularly assess staffing levels, equipment, and training to ensure these services remain responsive to community needs.

<sup>11</sup> Based on a 4-point Likert scale from very dissatisfied, dissatisfied, satisfied, to very satisfied.

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## Conclusion and Next Steps

The Beavercreek community has demonstrated a strong commitment to fostering an age-friendly, livable community. Survey results and community feedback reveal that respondents overwhelmingly view Beavercreek as a great place to live as they age, with most expecting to remain in the area over the next decade. The collaboration between the City and Township is widely praised, and the community's beauty and convenience are frequently highlighted by respondents.

*"The cooperation between the two entities, City and Township, is doggone great." – Focus group participant*

Key strengths include:

- **Senior Center:** The Senior Center is recognized as a vital hub for social engagement, health, and wellness. The Center's welcoming atmosphere and diverse programming help foster lifelong friendships and support healthy aging. Many respondents would like there to be more investment in the Senior Center to keep it open for longer hours.
- **Recreational Assets:** Parks, bike paths, green spaces, and wetlands are highly valued, with most respondents rating them as highly important. These spaces contribute to the community's quality of life and are frequently used for recreation.
- **Health and Safety:** Access to healthcare services is a top priority, and satisfaction with emergency services—including EMS, fire, and police—is exceptionally high. Respondents appreciate the professionalism, quality, and responsiveness of these services, which contribute to a strong sense of safety and well-being.

At the same time, the survey highlights opportunities for Beavercreek to become even better:

- **Affordable, Age-Friendly Housing:** While many wish to age in place, concerns about rising housing costs and the lack of suitable single-story homes persist. There is a need for more affordable, accessible housing options that support independent living for older adults.
- **Social Connection and Inclusion:** Over half of respondents feel only somewhat or not at all connected to the community, indicating room to strengthen social ties. Expanding affordable or free activities, hosting more community-wide events, and extending Senior Center hours could help foster greater inclusion across all age groups.
- **Recreation, Dining, and Shopping:** Respondents expressed interest in a wider variety of dining and shopping options, as well as more diverse entertainment experiences. Supporting businesses and promoting community events can enhance both economic vitality and social connection.

- **Physical Connectivity and Transportation:** Improving walkability and connectivity through better sidewalks, bike paths, and safe crossings is essential. Enhanced transportation services for seniors and people with disabilities will further reduce isolation and improve access to key destinations.
- **Maintenance and Safety of Public Spaces:** Continued investment in the safety and upkeep of parks, trails, and green spaces is important to respondents. Suggestions include adding recycling bins, better lighting, and more restrooms to enhance usability and enjoyment.

In summary, Beavercreek has much to celebrate in their journey toward becoming an even more age-friendly community. By building on existing strengths and addressing areas for improvement, local leaders can ensure that the community remains welcoming, accessible, and vibrant for residents of all ages—now and in the future.



## Appendix A: Complete Data Results

### Data Analysis: How to Read Figures and Tables

Analyses were based on the most appropriate statistical methods to answer each research question, given the data collection tools and sample size. Quantitative survey items were analyzed using descriptive statistics, frequencies, and mean differences tests/regressions. Percentages reported in tables and figures may not always sum to exactly 100% due to rounding to one decimal place.

Responses to open-ended survey questions were analyzed by two MRC associates using content analysis, with content coding applied to identify recurring and emergent themes relevant to the research questions. An initial set of codes was developed through a review of responses and refined iteratively for consistency and accuracy. Each response was systematically coded, and theme frequencies were documented (e.g., the number of respondents mentioning each theme for a given question). Trends were analyzed, and findings are presented in the final tables.

#### Reading Tables and Figures

- **n or Count**= number of individuals (sample size)
- **Themes** = summary of how respondents answered the question
- **Gradient color scales** = darker shades of purple indicate values closer to 0%, shades of yellow indicate values near 50%, and darker shades of green indicate values closer to 100%

In tables summarizing open-ended survey responses, the total number of mentions for each theme may exceed the number of survey respondents because some respondents mentioned more than one theme in their answers.

Focus group responses were used in the main body of the report with de-identified exemplary quotes illustrating key insights.

### Survey Respondent Demographics

**Table 1. Survey Respondent Demographics**

Characteristics	Count	Percentage
Age (n = 862)		
Under 25	7	0.8%
25-34	36	4.2%
35-44	123	14.3%
45-54	132	15.3%
55-64	178	20.6%
65+	386	44.8%

Gender (n = 834)		
Female	471	56.5%
Male	363	43.5%
Family Caregiver (n = 868)		
Yes	119	83.9%
No	728	2.4%
Prefer not to say	21	13.7%
Disability Status of Yourself, Spouse, or Another Family Member of the Household (n = 889)		
No	682	76.7%
Yes, myself	76	8.5%
Yes, the adult I am a caregiver for	51	5.7%
Yes, my spouse or partner	45	5.1%
Prefer not to say	35	3.9%
Education (n = 864)		
K-12th grade (no diploma)	6	0.7%
High school graduate, GED or equivalent	41	4.7%
Post-high school education/training (no degree)	86	10.0%
2-year college degree	76	8.8%
4-year college degree	223	25.8%
Post-graduate study (no degree)	55	6.4%
Graduate or professional degree(s)	367	42.5%
Prefer not to say	10	1.2%
Ethnicity/Race (n = 859)		
White or Caucasian	762	88.7%
Prefer not to say	58	6.8%
More than one race	16	1.9%
Black or African American	9	1.0%
Hispanic, Spanish, or Latino origin or descent	9	1.0%
Asian	4	0.5%
Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander	1	0.1%
Income (n = 864)		
Under \$20,000	7	0.8%
\$20,000 to \$49,999	44	5.1%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	157	18.2%
\$100,000 to \$199,999	319	36.9%
\$200,000 or more	128	14.8%
Prefer not to say	209	24.2%
Live in Beavercreek (n = 947)		
I live in the City of Beavercreek	784	82.8%
I live in Beavercreek Township	147	15.5%
I am not a resident of either	13	1.4%
I live in Beavercreek City or Township, but I'm not sure which	3	0.3%
I'm not sure	0	0.0%

Work in Beavercreek (n = 947)		
No	734	77.5%
Yes	207	21.9%
I'm not sure	6	0.6%
Familiarity with Beavercreek (n = 947)		
Very familiar	615	64.9%
Moderately familiar	256	27.0%
Somewhat familiar	74	7.8%
Not at all familiar	2	0.2%

## Home and Community

**Table 2. How would you rate Beavercreek as a place for people to live as they age? (n = 920)**

Scale	Percent of respondents
Excellent	14.9%
Very good	34.8%
Good	32.8%
Fair	13.6%
Poor	3.9%

**Table 3. To what extent do you feel included and connected to others in Beavercreek? (n = 934)**

Scale	Percent of respondents
Very connected and included	12.9%
Moderately connected and included	34.4%
Somewhat connected and included	42.5%
Not at all connected or included	10.2%

**Table 4. Thinking about the next 10 years, are you more likely to move to a different residence outside of Beavercreek, move to a different residence within Beavercreek, or stay in your current residence and never move? (n = 940)**

Response option	Percent of respondents
Move to a different residence outside Beavercreek	27.87%
Move into a different residence within Beavercreek	13.94%
Stay in your current residence and never move	58.19%

**Table 5. If you were to consider moving out of your current residence, would the following be a major factor, a minor factor, or not a factor at all in your decision to move?**

Item	Not a factor	Minor factor	Major factor
The cost of living in your current home (e.g., property taxes, repairs) (n = 901)	16.4%	22.9%	60.7%
Wanting a home that will help you live independently as you age (e.g., a home without stairs) (n = 904)	26.3%	27.2%	46.5%
Your personal safety or security concerns (n = 906)	42.2%	24.4%	33.4%
Wanting to downsize to a smaller home (n = 880)	41.5%	26.7%	31.8%
Wanting to be closer to family (n = 898)	56.7%	20.3%	23.1%
Change in family or household composition (e.g., having children, someone moving in or out, caring for a loved one) (n = 889)	54.2%	24.9%	20.9%
Wanting a newer, nicer, or larger home (n = 896)	63.1%	22.3%	14.6%
Wanting to move to an area that has better healthcare facilities (n = 900)	63.6%	24.1%	12.3%
Wanting to move to a neighborhood with more amenities (e.g., entertainment, shopping, dining) (n = 897)	62.8%	26.2%	11.0%
Wanting to live in a different climate (n = 891)	62.7%	26.5%	10.8%
Needing more access to public transportation (n = 894)	69.6%	21.1%	9.3%
Employment relocation (n = 903)	88.2%	7.2%	4.7%
Pursuing education outside of the community (n = 905)	95.2%	3.6%	1.1%
Military deployment (n = 911)	98.8%	0.5%	0.7%

**Table 6. How important is it to you that Beavercreek focuses on improving the following aspects of the community?**

Item	Not at all important	Not Very Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important	Extremely Important	Combined Very to Extremely Important
Emergency response (n = 909)	1.5%	3.0%	15.6%	38.1%	41.8%	79.9%
Safe and well-maintained parks, bike paths, wetlands, and green spaces (n = 907)	4.2%	5.6%	25.2%	36.5%	28.4%	64.9%
Attainable housing (n = 909)	11.4%	10.2%	26.0%	30.9%	21.5%	52.4%
Clearly marked crosswalks and pedestrian walking signals (n = 908)	9.1%	11.9%	33.0%	29.4%	16.5%	45.9%
Special transportation services for people with disabilities and older adults (e.g., through senior centers) (n = 911)	9.1%	14.4%	32.3%	27.7%	16.6%	44.2%
Activities that are affordable or free (n = 910)	6.3%	13.6%	38.2%	30.5%	11.3%	41.9%
Safe and accessible sidewalks (n = 909)	11.9%	13.6%	33.3%	25.5%	15.6%	41.1%
Variety of food, drink, or shopping establishments (n = 909)	6.8%	11.4%	42.2%	30.7%	8.8%	39.5%
Community gathering spaces (n = 907)	8.2%	15.8%	43.2%	23.4%	9.5%	32.9%
Activities that bring together the whole community (n = 910)	7.7%	19.2%	43.5%	20.9%	8.7%	29.6%
Continuing education classes or social clubs for pursuing new interests, hobbies, or passions (n = 909)	11.0%	19.8%	42.6%	19.9%	6.7%	26.6%
Activities geared specifically toward older adults (n = 909) <sup>1</sup>	10.6%	19.1%	43.9%	18.6%	7.8%	26.4%
Conveniently located entertainment venues (n = 905)	12.7%	23.2%	41.1%	17.0%	6.0%	23.0%
Availability of benches and railings for resting and ease of walking (n = 908)	15.5%	27.0%	36.6%	13.9%	7.0%	20.9%
Public transportation (n = 905)	28.7%	25.2%	29.4%	11.4%	5.3%	16.7%

<sup>1</sup> 34.9% of survey respondents over the age of 55 years, found this very to extremely important.

**Table 7. Are you aware of how your local government makes budget decisions? (n = 907)**

Response option	Percent of respondents
Yes, and I feel well-informed.	15.8%
Yes, but I do not feel well-informed.	39.5%
No; I am not aware.	39.7%
I'm not sure.	5.1%

**Table 8. Which statement best reflects your view on future investments by Beavercreek in local services and infrastructure? (n = 866)**

Response option	Percent of respondents
I believe the city/township should <i>improve</i> local services and infrastructure maintenance.	43.3%
I believe the city/township should <i>maintain</i> current levels of local services and infrastructure maintenance.	52.3%
I believe the city/township should <i>reduce</i> levels of local services and infrastructure maintenance.	4.4%

**Table 9. Are you aware of any programs that connect community members with the Beavercreek City Schools (e.g., mentoring, tutoring, guest speaking, skills sharing), and if so, have you participated in any in the past year? (n = 866)**

Response option	Percent of respondents
Yes, I'm aware, and I have participated.	6.0%
Yes, I'm aware, but I have not participated.	22.5%
No, I'm not aware, but I would be interested.	30.8%
No, I'm not aware, and I'm not interested.	40.7%

## Transportation

**Table 10. Do you usually use any of the following to get around Beavercreek for activities including (but not limited to) shopping, errands, medical appointments, socializing?**

Item	Yes	No
Drive yourself (n = 902)	98.2%	1.8%
Walk (n = 897)	45.9%	54.1%
Ride a bike (n = 896)	34.0%	66.0%
Have a friend or family member drive you (n = 894)	28.0%	72.0%
Taxi or Uber/Lyft (n = 893)	7.1%	92.9%
Some other way (n = 876)	4.8%	95.2%
Use transportation offered by the Senior Center (n = 893) <sup>1</sup>	4.0%	96.0%
Use a special transportation service, such as one for seniors or persons with disabilities (n = 894)	3.0%	97.0%
I do not get out of the house (n = 842)	2.1%	97.9%
Use public transportation (n = 894)	0.9%	99.1%

<sup>1</sup> 5.9% of survey respondents over the age of 55 years, and 8.4% of survey respondents over the age of 65 years use the Senior Center bus.

**Table 11. How well does the current bike path system, trail system, or sidewalks connect you to key destinations in Beavercreek (e.g., parks, shopping, libraries, schools, or other neighborhoods)? (n = 737)**

Scale	Percent of respondents
Very well	18.2%
Moderately well	26.7%
Somewhat well	31.2%
Not well at all	23.9%

**Table 12. In your travels on main roads throughout Beavercreek, would you prefer to encounter: (n = 896)**

Response option	Percent of respondents
Traditional signalized intersections (stop lights/stop signs)	57.3%
Round-about intersections	24.7%
No preference	18.1%

**Table 13. In your travels on US 35, would you prefer to encounter: (n = 896)**

Response option	Percent of respondents
Traditional exit/on ramps	82.1%
Super Street Design	6.7%
No preference	11.2%

## Recreation and Local News

**Table 14. How important do you consider the parks, bike paths, green spaces, and wetlands to be in Beavercreek? (n = 884)**

Scale	Percent of respondents
Very important	62.3%
Moderately important	21.8%
Somewhat important	13.0%
Not at all important	2.8%

**Table 15. Where do you most often spend recreational time outside of work/your home? Select all that apply. (n = 877)**

Response option	Percent of respondents
Going out for food or drink	77.1%
Parks, bike paths, wetlands, and green spaces	61.5%
Family or friends' homes	60.4%
Shopping centers (e.g., The Greene, Mall at Fairfield Commons)	45.6%
Carol Graff Library	24.5%
Senior Center <sup>1</sup>	13.3%
Other (please specify) <sup>2</sup>	12.8%

<sup>1</sup> 19.9% of respondents over the age of 55 years spend their time at the Senior Center.

<sup>2</sup> Other categories include from most responses to least: church activities, sports venues, traveling or visiting other communities, fitness activities, entertainment venues, outdoor activities, neighborhood HOA activities or facilities, local activities, car-related activities, bars or breweries, local-owned shopping, and doctor's offices.



**Table 16. How do you prefer learning of news and events going on in Beavercreek? Select all that apply. (n = 867)**

Response option	Percent of respondents
Beavercreek In Touch	61.4%
Email	58.8%
Letters, flyers, or other mail	52.5%
Social media (e.g., Facebook, Instagram, Twitter/X)	47.9%
Community websites	38.2%
Local radio/TV	21.2%
Local newspaper	18.7%
Word of mouth/friends and neighbors	16.7%
Community centers and gathering areas (e.g., libraries, community center, Senior Center)	15.3%
Other (please specify) <sup>1</sup>	1.7%

<sup>1</sup>Other includes: text messages, signage, RSS feeds, a channel on Hulu, the other Beavercreek magazine.

**Table 17. How confident are you in using technology (e.g., smartphones, computers, or tablets) for daily activities such as communication, accessing services, or entertainment? (n = 884)**

Scale	Percent of respondents
Very confident	75.5%
Moderately confident	16.7%
Somewhat confident	6.6%
Not confident at all	1.2%

## Health and Safety

**Table 18. How important is it to you that Beavercreek has the following?**

Item	Not at all important	Not Very Important	Somewhat Important	Very Important	Extremely Important	Combined Very to Extremely Important
Access to health care services (n = 880)	1.5%	2.8%	16.1%	35.3%	44.2%	79.5%
Access to outreach services (e.g., screenings, vaccinations) (n = 880)	6.5%	10.7%	30.6%	30.3%	21.9%	52.2%
Wellness checks (e.g., periodic phone calls to check on wellbeing) (n = 880)	11.7%	20.3%	36.6%	20.3%	11.0%	31.3%
Social support groups (n = 876)	10.4%	20.1%	41.0%	19.9%	8.7%	28.6%
Wellness classes (n = 878)	10.3%	20.5%	42.3%	18.8%	8.2%	27.0%

**Table 19. How would you rate the Beavercreek Township Fire Department or EMS (Emergency Medical Services) service that was provided? (n = 278)**

Scale	Percent of respondents
Very Satisfied	84.9%
Satisfied	13.3%
Dissatisfied	1.1%
Very Dissatisfied	0.7%

**Table 20. How would you rate the Beavercreek Township Fire Department fire protection services (including smoke detector or carbon monoxide issues) service that was provided? (n = 64)**

Scale	Percent of respondents
Very Satisfied	85.9%
Satisfied	12.5%
Dissatisfied	0.0%
Very Dissatisfied	1.6%

**Table 21. Overall, how would you rate the Beavercreek Township Fire Department on the following:**

Item	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Combined Satisfied to Very Satisfied
Professionalism (n = 514)	1.8%	0.4%	25.1%	72.8%	97.9%
Fire Prevention/Public Events (n = 452)	1.5%	0.7%	39.8%	58.0%	97.8%
Quality of Service (n = 476)	1.9%	0.4%	25.6%	72.1%	97.7%
Overall Value (n = 547)	1.6%	0.9%	32.2%	65.3%	97.5%
Response Time (n = 455)	2.4%	1.3%	27.5%	68.8%	96.3%
Quality of Equipment (n = 363)	2.8%	1.1%	36.1%	60.1%	96.2%
Staffing Levels (n = 303)	5.9%	2.3%	44.9%	46.9%	91.8%

**Table 22. Overall, how would you rate the City of Beavercreek Police Department on the following:**

Item	Very Dissatisfied	Dissatisfied	Satisfied	Very Satisfied	Combined Satisfied to Very Satisfied
Community Engagement/Public Events (n = 522)	2.5%	2.5%	44.1%	51.0%	95.1%
Overall Value (n = 581)	2.4%	2.9%	40.4%	54.2%	94.6%
Response Time (n = 504)	3.2%	2.8%	41.1%	53.0%	94.1%
Professionalism (n = 585)	3.4%	2.9%	35.7%	57.9%	93.6%
Dispatch Call Center (n = 418)	2.9%	3.6%	37.3%	56.2%	93.5%
Quality of Service (n = 546)	3.1%	4.0%	36.8%	56.0%	92.8%
Staffing Levels (n = 343)	4.7%	9.6%	46.4%	39.4%	85.8%

# Open-ended Survey Responses

## *Ways to Improve Experience in Recreation Spaces*

A total of 354 survey respondents shared responses about what would improve their experience in recreational areas, including: the Senior Center; family or friends homes; parks, bike paths, wetlands, and green spaces; Carol Graff Library; going out for food or drink; shopping centers (e.g., The Greene, Mall at Fairfield Commons); and within other spaces they spend their time. Using content analysis, MRC identified 69 themes within the open-ended responses. To make the data more digestible and meaningful, these themes were organized into five broader categories:

1. Transportation, Roads, and Accessibility
2. Parks, Recreation, and Community Spaces
3. City Planning, Development, and Land Use
4. Economy, Local Businesses, and Shopping
5. Maintenance, Safety, and Cleanliness

The tables below (Tables 23 through 27) expand on these five categories by detailing the most commonly mentioned themes within each. The most frequently cited themes mentioned by at least 20 survey respondents include:

- **More sidewalks**, connecting them better and improving access/Sidewalks (Unspecified) (n = 40)
- **Fix traffic issues** (e.g., reduce congestion, improve traffic lights and timing of lights, enforce traffic laws, lower speed limit in places; add speed bumps in residential; better plan out road construction projects; noise of vehicles in residential areas is an issue) (n = 39)
- **Build more or extend bike paths**, connecting them better and improving access (n = 33)
- **Maintain or improve the parks** (e.g., better amenities at parks; updated playgrounds; basketball courts; add recycling bins; better lighting; keep clean) (n = 26)
- **Stop or limit the building of new houses** (n = 25)
- **Extend Senior Center hours** (n = 24)
- **Make all paths safer** (e.g., signal crosswalks; more lighting; remove obstructed views of sidewalks; well lit) (n = 22)
- **Other towns should be used as models** (e.g., Kettering, Centerville, Washington Township, Springboro) (n = 21)

**Table 23. Transportation, Roads, and Accessibility**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
More sidewalks, connecting them better and improving access/Sidewalks (Unspecified)	40
Fix traffic issues (e.g., reduce congestion, improve traffic lights and timing of lights, enforce traffic laws, lower speed limit in places; add speed bumps in residential; better plan out road construction projects; noise of vehicles in residential areas is an issue)	39
Build more or extend bike paths, connecting them better and improving access	33
Make all paths safer (e.g., signal crosswalks; more lighting; remove obstructed views of sidewalks; well lit)	22
Improve roads (e.g., fill potholes, repave, reduce the number of manholes)	15
More walkable areas	12
Improve handicap accessibility (e.g., spaces, handicap push button door opener, flatter tracks, add ramps)	10
Improve the parking situation (e.g., better designed parking lots without odd patterns or cut off spaces; more convenient parking spaces for seniors; pave the lots)	9
Better maintain the bike paths (e.g., clear debris; add trash cans)	9
Redo Rd US35 (e.g., replace those access points with on/off ramps)	8
Improve signage on roads and trails (e.g., post speed limits; post at each location how the funds to obtain and maintain them are acquired from taxes; better marked crosswalks)	7
A much better, regular and accessible public transportation area (e.g., on demand transportation for medical appointments and shopping; more RTA bus services to Beavercreek)	6
Better maintain the sidewalks (e.g., clean up glass; repair them)	5
Make unspecified spaces more accessible, with easier access	3
Build bike lanes on the roads	3
Add bike racks at businesses and public spaces	2
Do not build bike lanes on the roads	1
Do not expand RTA everywhere; the bus stops are bad	1
Add level 3 car chargers (unspecified location)	1

**Table 24. Parks, Recreation, and Community Spaces**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Maintain or improve the parks (e.g., better amenities at parks; updated playgrounds; basketball courts; add recycling bins; better lighting; keep clean)	26
Extend Senior Center hours	24
Host more community wide activities (e.g., concerts, festivals, events; local community bands)	17
Prioritize and fund the Senior Center (e.g., provide more updated equipment; host more activities such as card playing, trivia night)	10
Create a community recreation center (similar to Kettering)	10
Add more parks/complete those in development	9
Invest in a downtown/central gathering area (with shopping, eating/drinking, and music)	9
More benches and places to sit and rest around town, in shaded areas	9
Open or add restrooms at parks (e.g., with raised toilets, grab bars, and lower sink and mirror)	8
Have splash pads/water play areas for kids	8
Swimming pool access (e.g., build indoor swimming pool; classes and public swimming without required membership)	8
Invest in the library (e.g., make it larger; advertise it more; add adult options, like workspaces; have more offerings to avoid programs filling up; increase materials and access)	7
Create (an outdoor) community gathering area	6
Do not add new parks, especially over investing in other priorities (e.g., such as the Senior Center)	4
Create spaces to exercise, such as public gyms	4
More dog parks/dog friendly places	3
Maintain hiking paths	3
Maintain or invest in tennis/pickleball courts	3
Separate the Senior Center from the Parks and Recreation Department	2
Provide free or low-cost opportunities (e.g., reduce prices for seniors)	2
Invest in the golf course/club (e.g., add more features and amenities)	2

**Table 25. Themes Related to City Planning, Development, and Land Use**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Stop or limit the building of new houses	25
Preserve the green space and natural fauna	17
Avoid overpopulation/preserve the rural feel	10
Stop building/stop development (unspecified)	9
Improve the look of the town (e.g., add more color contrast instead of old dusty looking roads and buildings; have more artwork that is not military-related; beautify pedestrian bridge over I-675)	7
Need mixed commercial, residential, and recreation areas	5
Stop building new businesses	5
Require new builds to be on larger lots/have more space between homes	3
Merge the Township and the City	1
Do not require businesses to have "beautiful spaces"	1
Keep housing separate from industrial builds	1
Build more businesses	1
Stop building apartments or condominiums	1
Provide more affordable housing	1
Stop talking about affordable housing	1

**Table 26. Economy, Local Businesses, and Shopping**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Other towns should be used as models (e.g., Kettering, Centerville, Washington Township, Springboro)	21
Greater variety of or more dining venues (e.g., bakeries; more coffee shops; more non-fast food options; add international flavors)	18
More local businesses, not chains	12
Need additional grocery shopping options (or farmers markets)	6
More chain businesses (e.g., Arby's, Culvers, major department stores; Starbucks)	5
Invest in local malls so traveling to other towns is not necessary	3

**Table 27. Maintenance, Safety, and Cleanliness**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Greater police presence/maintain security	9
Enforce city ordinances and building codes (e.g., no businesses in residential homes; maintenance of landscaping at businesses be enforced; enforce noise ordinance)	5
Keep Beaver Creek clean/pull weeds *not including sidewalks, bike paths, or parks	4
Maintain the existing spaces and infrastructures	4
Consider light pollution (e.g., decrease the amount of external artificial light at night)	2
Make pot illegal in Beaver Creek or help minimize the smell	2
Spray for bugs and mosquitos	1

### ***Recommended Changes to Beaver Creek***

A total of 552 survey respondents shared responses about what they would change about Beaver Creek if they could change anything. Using content analysis, MRC identified 87 themes within the open-ended responses. To make the data more digestible and meaningful, these themes were organized into six broader categories:

1. Taxes, Cost of Living, and Fiscal Transparency
2. Housing, Development, and Zoning
3. Transportation, Roads, and Walkability
4. Community Life, Amenities, and Public Services
5. Leadership, Planning, and Governance
6. Parks, Environment, and Infrastructure Maintenance

The tables below (Tables 28 through 33) expand on these six categories by detailing the most commonly mentioned themes within each. The most frequently cited themes mentioned by at least 20 survey respondents include:

- **Lower property taxes** (n = 116)
- **Stop or slow the building of new homes** (n = 72)
- **Get a city income tax** (n = 49)
- **Fix traffic issues** (e.g., enforce traffic laws; change speed limits; add or improve timing of traffic lights; improve signage; better plan out road construction projects) (n = 42)
- **Focus on our schools** (e.g., larger schools; find funding; get people to pass the school levy; build a new high school; change the location of the new school; make schools equipped for autism) (n = 42)
- **Value the existing green/open spaces and farmland** (maintain the rural vibe) (n = 41)



- **Stop or figure out the issue of overpopulation** (e.g., the schools are overflowing; overcrowding of roads; Greene CAT puts demands on grocery stores) (n = 37)
- **More sidewalks, connecting them better and improving access/Sidewalks** (Unspecified) (n = 33)
- **Do not raise taxes/lower taxes** (unspecified type) (n = 30)
- **Stop or slow the building or development** (unspecified) (n = 29)
- **Lower taxes for seniors** (and Homestead is not enough) (n = 26)

**Table 28. Taxes, Cost of Living, and Fiscal Transparency**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Lower property taxes	116
Get a city income tax	49
Do not raise taxes/lower taxes (unspecified type)	30
Lower taxes for seniors (and Homestead is not enough)	26
Have businesses or developers pay taxes or fund necessary infrastructure over raising taxes for residents/diversify the tax base	14
Stop trying to pass tax levies (e.g., school levies)	13
Find ways to inform the community about levies or how taxes work (and do not mislead/be transparent) (e.g., better sales pitches for parks and school levies; inform citizens that the township and city are different taxing entities)	11
Stop trying to pass income taxes	10
Get an earned income tax	6
Taxes (unspecified)	5
Lower the cost of living (unspecified)	4

**Table 29. Housing, Development, and Zoning**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Stop or slow the building of new homes	72
Value the existing green/open spaces and farmland (maintain the rural vibe)	41
Stop or slow the building or development (unspecified)	29
Stop building businesses (especially gas stations)	19
Make changes to the types of homes being built (e.g., different floor plans; smaller patio homes on one level; cottage styles)	14
Invest in affordable housing or make houses affordable (e.g., for families or seniors)	14
Loosen regulations on individual residencies (e.g., allow backyard chickens; no HOA vibes; stop controlling the size of wood piles or colors of tarp; permit the use of golf carts in residential areas)	9
Make changes to the lot sizes the houses are being built upon (e.g., require houses to be built on 1/2 acre lots; change the current law that allows 3 housing units per acre)	8
Put size restrictions on the development (e.g., no more high-density development; focused land development)	8
Improve or enforce zoning laws or building codes/enforce building codes	8
Maintain what is currently here (unspecified)/use empty buildings	5
Stop building apartments or condos	5
More local businesses, not chains	5
Do not allow misleading information to be shared by developers (e.g., a developer was permitted to advertise as a private community for under the age of 55, which was not true)	1
More chain businesses (e.g., Culvers, Trader Joes)	1

**Table 30. Transportation, Roads, and Walkability**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Fix traffic issues (e.g., enforce traffic laws; change speed limits; add or improve timing of traffic lights; improve signage; better plan out road construction projects)	42
More sidewalks, connecting them better and improving access/Sidewalks (Unspecified)	33
Make all paths and roads safer	19
Build more or extend bike paths, connecting them better and improving access	19
Fix the Superstreet design or do not do that again (e.g., replace the Super Street configuration at Factory and Route 35 to a traditional overpass with exits)	18
More walkable areas	17
Improve or maintain the roads (e.g., fill potholes, smooth cracks, repave; plow quicker in the winter; use sand instead of salt on snow)	15
Better public transportation (e.g., provide transportation to seniors into the suburban developments)	6
Better maintain the sidewalks	3
Add bike lanes to roads	3
Better maintain the bike paths	3
Add more streetlights	3
Do not charge residents for upkeep of sidewalks/do not need sidewalks	2
Add bike racks at businesses and public spaces	2
Stop widening the roads/spending money on perceived random road projects	2
Better connect the city/town and neighborhoods *not specified via bike or walking	2

**Table 31. Community Life, Amenities, and Public Services**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Focus on our schools (e.g., larger schools; find funding; get people to pass the school levy; build a new high school; change the location of the new school; make schools equipped for autism)	42
Stop or figure out the issue of overpopulation (e.g., the schools are overflowing; overcrowding of roads; Greene CAT puts demands on grocery stores)	37
There needs to be a sense of community (e.g., the community needs to be more unified and aligned; care more about each other)	18
Host more community wide activities (e.g., provide opportunities for seniors to connect socially besides the Senior Center or having to join a church; family activities; quality live entertainment)	16
Create a true downtown area or a main street (e.g., a small business district with arts and culture; one that has walkable shopping and dining)	15
Have more amenities or entertainment *Not specified as the recreation center (e.g., museums; entertainment venues; movie theatres; swimming pools; splash pads; gyms)	13
Build a public community recreation center (e.g., merge with Senior Center activities; it can have a pool, ice rink, basketball courts, racquetball courts, gym, or indoor track)	11
Create a community gathering area *Not specified as downtown (e.g., areas for large shows like arts and craft festivals; areas to people watch or protest; piazza style area to gather)	11
Invest in the Senior Center (e.g., extend Senior Center hours; expand activities; find funding)	10
Increase police presence / staffing	8
Bring more character/charm and attract cultural diversity to the community	6
Greater variety of or more dining venues (e.g., coffee shops; mom and pop restaurants)	6
Focus on or invest in fire/EMS needs	6
Manage the noise pollution	5
Stop the crime (e.g., car thefts; strictly enforce the law prohibiting residential fireworks displays)	5
There is too much emphasis on police force expansions (and the police can be unprofessional)	5
Do not build new schools/do not focus on school investments	4
Have more retail options	4

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Improve marketing for events and activities to bring awareness	3
Reduce investment in the golf course (or privatize it to put money elsewhere)	3
Do not bring cultural diversity to the community	2
Invest in the library	2
Address visible homelessness and panhandling	2
Have the US Postal Service list all addresses in Beavercreek as "Beavercreek" and not "Dayton"	2
Invest in golf course	2
Stop investing in the fire station	1

**Table 32. Leadership, Planning, and Governance**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Plan or budget better	18
Improve leadership (e.g., change current leadership, add positions, allow flexibility in positions, be trustworthy, make council volunteer based, communicate more, be transparent)	15
Other towns should be used as models (e.g., Kettering, Centerville, Lebanon, Miamisburg, and Delaware)	9
Merge the Township and the City	8
Redistrict areas (e.g., redistrict or rezone the schools; go back to district and at-large representation)	3
Change the political spectrum of the community from one side to the other (from left to right or right to left)	2
Do not merge the Township and the City	1
Attract more scientific and technical jobs that are not on, or dependent on, the base	1

**Table 33. Parks, Environment, and Infrastructure Maintenance**

Theme	Number of Respondents Who Mentioned the Theme
Keep Beavercreek clean/pull weeds/enforce property violations	11
Add more parks/complete those in development	9
Maintain or improve the parks (e.g., more trees for shade; install rubber padding; add bathrooms)	9
Focus on environmental sustainability/clean energy	6
Consolidate trash and recycling to one entity	5
Improve the look of the town (e.g., have more artwork that is not military-related; stop building with concrete walls that rust from water)	5
Do not add new parks (especially over investing in other priorities, or before people approve all the funds)	3
Provide water to older areas not served in the city	2
Sewer drains are needed in residential areas	1
Add benches in shade (unspecified where)	1
Improve handicap accessibility (especially in shaded places for wheelchairs to sit at picnic tables)	1

## Community-Level Data

The following data was selected to provide environmental context for the area. Data come from Census Reporter using the 2023 5-year American Community Survey (ACS) estimates, unless otherwise noted.<sup>15</sup> Census data for Beavercreek Township was used for community level estimates as the Census combines the township and city for estimates.

<sup>15</sup> Retrieved on 10/23/2025 from <https://censusreporter.org/profiles/06000US3905704724-beavercreek-township-greene-county-oh/>

**Table 34. Age Demographics**

Demographics	Beavercreek Township	Greene County	Ohio
Median age	40.5	38.7	39.6
Population 65 and older	19%	18%	18%
Population by Age Group			
• 0-9	12%	11%	12%
• 10-19	14%	14%	13%
• 20-29	10%	14%	13%
• 30-39	14%	13%	15%
• 40-49	12.7%	11.1%	12%
• 50-59	13.3%	12.9	12.9
• 60-69	12.4%	12.4%	12.8%
• 70-79	8.6%	8%	7.8%
• 80+	3.7%	4.2%	4.1%
Seniors (65 and older) below poverty	4%	7%	10%
Population with veteran status	16%	11.4%	6.8%

**Table 35. Housing Characteristics**

Housing Characteristics	Beavercreek Township	Greene County	Ohio
Single unit	81%	78%	74%
Multi-unit	19%	21%	23%
Median value of owner-occupied housing units	\$279,000	\$238,000	\$199,200
Owner-occupied housing units	75%	68%	67%
Renter-occupied housing units	25%	32%	33%
Moved since previous year	13.8%	15.5%	12.4%

**Table 36: Transportation Statistics**

Transportation	Beavercreek Township	Greene County	Ohio
Transportation to work (in minutes)	20	21.7	23.6
Means of transportation to work			
• Drive	77%	77%	77%
• Carpool	6%	7%	8%
• Public transit	1%	1%	1%
• Work from home	15%	12%	11%