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| Central Texas Sustainability Indicators Project  Community Survey 2015 |

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# INTRODUCTION

Hello, my name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ calling from Customer Research International and we're conducting a survey on quality of life in this community.

(CLARIFY IF NECESSARY: I'm not selling anything)

a.1. May I speak to the male/female adult of the household?

SPEAK TO AN ADULT (OVER AGE 18) IN THE HOUSEHOLD.

We would like to ask you questions about a wide range of quality of life issues in Central Texas for a research project being conducted at UT Austin. Your participation is voluntary and you may decline to answer any question or withdraw from the study at any time. The survey will take about 30 minutes. Your answers will be kept private and anonymous. There are no known risks or rewards associated with your participation. If you have questions about this project or your rights as a participant, you may find contact information for UT staff at [rgkcenter.org/sip](http://rgkcenter.org/sip). The aggregate results of the survey will be published and shared with local and regional leaders and help shape future efforts to sustain our quality of life.

Do you agree to participate in this survey?

a.2. In what county do you live? (READ LIST)

1 Travis County

2 Williamson County

3 Hays County

4 Bastrop County

5 Caldwell County

6 Burnet County

8 (OTHER) **[TERMINATE]**

9 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/CAN'T SAY) **[TERMINATE]**

**(ASK IF a.2=1,2)**

a.3. Are you a resident of the City of Austin?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

**RANDOMLY SELECT SURVEY SET (50/50 quota)**

1 Set A

2 Set B

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL TRAVIS COUNTY PLUS SET A)**

# First are some questions about your Participation in the Arts

1.1 Think about the availability of opportunities to enjoy the arts in your community. For each of the following arts, please tell me if you think there are many, quite a few, a small number, or almost no opportunities. **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

1 Many

2 Quite a few

3 A small number

4 No or almost no

9 (DK/NR)

A. Opportunities to visit a local museum?

B. Opportunities to attend a local performance of live entertainment?

C. Opportunities to attend an outdoor festival or special event focusing on arts or culture?

**(ROTATE 1.2a – 1.2c)**

1.2a. During the last year, about how many times did you visit a local museum?

1.2b. During the last year, how many times did you attend a local performance of live entertainment?

1.2c. During the last year, how many times did you attend an outdoor festival or special event focusing on arts or culture?

(CLARIFY: GIVE BEST ESTIMATE)

1 None

2 1-2

3 3-5

4 6-10

5 More than 10

9 (DK/NR)

1.3 How would you rate the quality of the arts in your community? Would you say…

5 Excellent

4 Very Good

3 Good

2 Fair

1 Poor

9 (DK/NR)

1.4 Would you say that arts activities play a major role, minor role, or no role at all in your life?

1 Major role

2 Minor role

3 No role at all

9 (DON'T KNOW/REFUSED)

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL TRAVIS COUNTY PLUS SET B)**

# Next are some questions about Philanthropy and Volunteering

2.1 Thinking about the total amount you have given to charitable programs or organizations over the course of the last year, would you say you have given… (INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION; IF RESPONDENT ASKS WHETHER THIS CAN INCLUDE CHURCH GIVING, SAY YES.)

1 None [SKIP TO Q2.3]

2 $1 to $100

3 $100 to $250

4 $250 to $500

5 $500 to $1,000

6 $1,000 to $2,500

7 More than $2,500

9 (REFUSED/DK) [SKIP TO Q2.3]

2.2 Thinking of all your donations to non-religious charities, to your faith-based organization and to education-related causes over the past year, approximately how much did you: **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

1 None

2 $1 to $100

3 $100 to $250

4 $250 to $500

5 $500 to $1,000

6 $1,000 to $2,500

7 More than $2,500

9 (REFUSED/DK)

A. Donate to faith-based organizations like churches, synagogues, mosques?

B. Donate to charitable programs or organizations?

C. Donate to education institutions and alumni associations

2.3 How often do you serve as a volunteer for a charitable programs or organizations?

1 Daily

2 Twice a week

3 Once a week

4 Twice a month

5 Once a month

6 Every few months

7 Only occasionally

8 Never

9 (REFUSED)

* + 1. Over the last 2 months, how many hours altogether did you spend volunteering -- either to help people in need or to improve the quality of life in your community? (CLARIFY: GIVE BEST ESTIMATE)

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Number of Hours (0-998)

999 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/CAN'T SAY)

2\_4rc **(RECODE)**

01 None

1. 1-4
2. 5-9
3. 10-14
4. 15-19
5. 20-29
6. 30-39
7. 40-49
8. 50+

99 (DK/REF)

2.5 In the last year, have you made a charitable contribution after: (ROTATE CHOICES - SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)

1 Being contacted by a friend or family member

2 Hearing about an issue from a religious leader

3 Hearing about a need at work

4 Participating in an event

5 Seeing local news coverage

9 (NONE OF THESE)

2.6 I’m now going to read to you some statements about why people donate time and money. For each one, please tell me if you disagree strongly, disagree somewhat, agree somewhat, or agree strongly. **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

1 Disagree strongly

2 Disagree somewhat

3 Agree somewhat

4 Agree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

A. To me, giving is more about personal satisfaction than long term benefits

B. I would give more if I knew what my community really needed

C. The only worthy causes are those that make a difference right now

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

Next are some questions about Neighborliness

3.1. Think about your neighbors living in the 5 households nearest yours. Suppose you needed some kind of help or a small favor. How comfortable would you be asking one of your neighbors for help? Would you be…

4 Very comfortable

3 Somewhat comfortable

2 Not so comfortable

1 Not at all comfortable

5 (It depends on the nature of help or favor)

9 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/CAN'T SAY)

3.2 Do you feel you have a lot in common with the neighbors that live around you? (CLARIFY: Do you share the same cultural and political values?)

4 A lot

3 Somewhat

2 Not so much

1 Not at all

5 (It depends)

9 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/CAN'T SAY)

* 1. If you could afford to live in any neighborhood in greater Austin what neighborhood would that be? SCREENER CODE, OPEN ENDED RESPONSE

1 Response given (SPECIFY)

9 (DK/NR)

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

Next are some questions about your Civic Engagement with your community.

4.1. How well informed would you say that you feel about key issues affecting the future of your community? READ LIST

1 Not at all informed

2 Not too well informed

3 Somewhat well informed

4 Very well informed

9 (DK/NR/RF)

4.2. In the last 12 months, tell me what types of local groups you have been involved in or actions you have taken as a result of your concern or interest in the future of your community?

ROTATE, READ LIST

**(ASK AS SEPARATE YES/NO/DK QUESTIONS THEN RECODE, RECORD ALL MENTIONS)**

01 A neighborhood or homeowner association

02 Attended a meeting hosted by a government agency (CLARIFY: City, County)

03 Attended a non-government sponsored meeting

04 Contacted an elected official

05 A PTA or other school related group

06 A business or professional group (CLARIFY: local Chamber)

07 An environmental group (CLARIFY: Sierra Club)

08 A political campaign

09 A social equity or human services group (CLARIFY: Habitat for Humanity, ACLU)

10 Contacted your local paper or called a radio talk show

11 A spiritual or religious group, a church, or a temple.

12 Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ (SPECIFY)

13 (NONE)

4.3. Do you consider yourself a member of a particular faith or spiritual group that meets regularly at a church, synagogue, temple, or other location?

1 Yes

2 No [SKIP TO Q4.5]

9 (DK/RF) [SKIP TO Q4.5]

4.4 How often do you attend services at your place of worship?

1 Once a week

2 Twice a month

3 Once a month

4 A few times a year

5 Once a year or less

9 (DON’T KNOW/REFUSED)

**(DIFFERENT FROM 2010 WAVE)**

4.5X People get their news from a variety of different sources. Thinking about how you get information about current events, how often do you consume the following types of media content? For each media type, please answer Always, Usually, Sometimes, Rarely, or Never. (ROTATE QUESTIONS A-K)

1 Always

2 Usually

1. Sometimes
2. Rarely
3. Never

9 (DK/RF)

A.    Local television news

B.    National television news

C.    Radio

D.    Local newspaper (like the Austin American Statesman) either in print or online

E.    National newspaper either in print or online

F.    Portal website that gathers news from many different sources (i.e. Yahoo or Google news)

G.    News information shared by friends or family through social networking sites, like Facebook, Twitter, MySpace, or LinkedIn

H.    News information shared by mainstream news media outlets through social networking sites, like Facebook, Twitter, MySpace, or LinkedIn

I.     Email

J.    Government notices and agendas

K.    Conversations with friends, family, or co-workers

L.     Other sources

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

Next are some questions about Child Care.

5.1. Do you have children under the age of 18 living in your household?

1 Yes

2 No **[SKIP TO NEXT SECTION]**

9 (DK/RF) **[SKIP TO NEXT SECTION]**

5.2A How many children 6 years old or under currently live in your household?

NUMBER: (0-20) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

00 (NONE) SKIP TO Q5.12

98 (DK/RF) SKIP TO Q5.12

5.2B How many children 3 years old or under currently live in your household?

NUMBER: (0-20) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

00 (NONE)

98 (DK/RF)

**\*(check that 5.2B is not greater than 5.2A)**

5.3. For only the oldest child, how many hours each week does the child living in your home spend in the care of others (outside of the parents) for education, enrichment or child care? Would you say…

1 Full-time, about 40 hours a week

2 Part-time, about 20 hours a week

3 Just a few hours a week

4 None

9 (DK/RF)

5.4. Who currently or presently takes care of this child/these children when adults in the household are not at home or not available to take care of them? DO NOT READ LIST, SCREENER CODE TOP THREE

01 A partner or spouse

02 Family relative

03 Neighbor

**Out of Home: SPECIFY**

04 A child-care center

05 Family day care provider

06 Pre-school

07 Other out of home care (SPECIFY)

88 (Other/Something else) (SPECIFY)

98 (DK/RF)

5.5. How satisfied are you with this child care or preschool arrangement?

4 Very satisfied

3 Somewhat satisfied

2 Not very satisfied

1 Not at all satisfied

9 (DK/RF)

5.6. Have you had any of these child care related problems during the past two years?

READ / ROTATE CHOICES – SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

1 Difficulty paying for child care

2 Finding child care during evening or weekend hours when family members are working

3 Transportation to or from child care location

4 Finding affordable child care not provided by a relative

7 (NONE OF THESE/NO PROBLEMS)

8 Other (SPECIFY)

9 (DK/RF)

5.7. Where (in what part of your community) do you most need or want your child care services to be located? READ LIST

1 In your own neighborhood, close to where you live

2 Near your work

3 Does not matter

8 Other (SPECIFY)

5.8. What is the most important characteristic you look for (or would look for) in selecting a provider outside of your home for your child? DO NOT READ LIST, SCREENER CODE ONE RESPONSE

1 Location

2 Cost

3 Hours open/available

4 Staffing

5 Curriculum

6 Reputation

7 Accreditation

8 Other (SPECIFY)

9 (DK/NR)

* 1. Over the last week, have you read to or with your child?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/RF)

* 1. What is the title of your child’s favorite book?

1 Book Title: SPECIFY:

2 None

3 (Can’t remember right now)

8 (DK)

9 (RF/NR)

5.12. How much after-school care each week do you need for the child/children living in your home? Would you say

1 Under 5 hours a week

2 Between 5 and 10 hours a week

3 Between 10 and 15 hours a week

4 Over 15 hours a week

9 (DK/RF)

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL TRAVIS COUNTY PLUS SET B)**

Sustainability is a word with several definitions, for the following question, sustainability means “meeting the needs of present and future generations without compromising our economy, social equity, our environment, or citizen engagement.”

* 1. What one word or phrase first comes to mind when you hear this definition of sustainability?

SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

6.1b IF NONE/NOTHING/DON’T KNOW, THEN READ LIST and ASK FOR ONE: (ROTATE CHOICES)

1 Environment

2 Economy

3 Equity

4 Quality of life

7 (NONE)

9 (DK/NR)

6.2 Have you heard sustainability talked about related to activities in your community?

1 Yes

2 No

8 (DON’T KNOW/NOT SURE)

9 (NO RESPONSE)

6.3 The following questions are about community priorities. For each one, please tell me if you disagree strongly, disagree somewhat, agree somewhat, or agree strongly.

**(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

1 Disagree strongly

2 Disagree somewhat

3 Agree somewhat

4 Agree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

A. Helping people is more important than protecting the environment

B. Social programs are needed because businesses don’t do enough

C. Our regional economy could be stronger if there was less concern about the environment

D. Strong economic growth and more jobs will ultimately result in fewer poor and needy people

E. Investing in the environment pays off over the long term more than investing in social programs

F. Because Central Texans care about our environment, our economy is stronger

6.4        Now, we're going to ask you questions about **boycotting**, that is, refusing to buy a particular product, service, brand, or to make purchases from a particular company, and **buycotting**, that is the decision to purposely choose one brand or product over another for ethical, political or environmental reasons. In the past 12 months, how often did you buy or purposely not buy a product, service, brand, or company for ethical, political, and/or environmental reasons?

1 Always

2 Usually

3 Sometimes

4 Rarely

5 Never [SKIP TO NEXT SECTION]

8 (DON’T KNOW/NOT SURE) [SKIP TO NEXT SECTION]

9 (NO RESPONSE) [SKIP TO NEXT SECTION]

6.5 Please think again about some of the products, services, brands, or companies you boycotted for ethical, political, and/or environmental reasons in the past 12 months. How important were the following considerations? Please answer Very Important, Somewhat Important, Not Really Important, or Not at all Important. **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

4 Very Important

3 Somewhat Important

2 Not Really Important

1 Not at all Important

9 (DK/RF)

1. Your health or your family's health
2. Animal rights or welfare
3. Environmental concerns
4. Promote traditional family values
5. Buying locally
6. Made in the USA
7. Fair trade with third-world countries
8. Promote equal rights or equality
9. Promote fair labor practices or working conditions

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

Next are some questions about Commuting

8.0 Which of the following best describes your employment status? READ LIST

1 Employed outside of the home

2 Attending school, not employed

3 Self-employed/Work at home

4 Both employed and attending school

5 Not employed or attending school **GO TO NEXT SECTION**

6 None/Other **GO TO NEXT SECTION**

9 (DK/NR) **GO TO NEXT SECTION**

The next few questions are about transportation. Think about your transportation to work or school, or, if you work at home, any other destination that you go to often, say at least 2 or 3 times a week.

8.1 Do you typically get to your destination [CLARIFY: work/school/other] by:

1 Car

2 Carpool/Vanpool GO TO 8.3

3 Bus GO TO 8.3

4 Bicycle GO TO 8.3

5 Walk GO TO 8.3

6 Something else GO TO 8.3

7 (Not applicable/Don't go anywhere) GO TO 8.3

9 (DK/NR) GO TO 8.3

8.2 When you take your car to your destination, do you typically drive alone?

1 Yes

2 No

8 (DK/NR)

9 (REFUSED)

8.3 Do you arrive at your destination [work/school/other] between 7 and 9 am?

1 Yes

2 No

8 (DK/NR)

9 (REFUSED)

8.4 Do you leave your destination [work/school/other] between 4 and 6 pm?

1 Yes

2 No

8 (DK/NR)

9 (REFUSED)

8.5 How many miles do you travel to work/school one-way?

SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

999 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE/REFUSED)

8\_5rc **(RECODE)**

01 < 5 miles

02 5 - 9 miles

03 10-14 miles

04 15-19 miles

05 20-24 miles

06 25-29 miles

07 30-34 miles

08 35-39 miles

09 40-44 miles

10 45-49 miles

11 50+ miles

99 (DON'T KNOW/NO RESPONSE/REFUSED)

8.6 How many minutes does your travel to work/school usually take?

SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

999 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE/REFUSED)

8.7 And how many minutes does your travel home from work/school usually take?

SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

999 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE/REFUSED)

8\_6rc and 8\_7rc **(RECODE)**

01 < 5 minutes

02 5-9 minutes

03 10-14 minutes

04 15-19 minutes

05 20-24 minutes

06 25-29 minutes

07 30-34 minutes

08 35-39 minutes

09 40-44 minutes

10 45-49 minutes

11 50+ minutes

99 (DON'T KNOW/NO RESPONSE/REFUSED)

8.8a Compared to 2 years ago, would you say that these days your total travel time is…

1 A lot longer GO TO 8.8C

2 A little longer GO TO 8.8C

3 About the same SKIP TO 8.9

4 A little shorter GO TO 8.8B

5 A lot shorter GO TO 8.8B

6 (NOT APPLICABLE/MOVED WITHIN LAST 2 YEARS) SKIP TO 8.9

8 (DK/NR) SKIP TO 8.9

9 (REFUSED) SKIP TO 8.9

8.8b What is the primary reason it is shorter? (DO NOT READ) (CLARIFY FROM LIST AS NECESSARY)

01 Traffic congestion has improved

02 Roads are better

03 Change job location

04 Change residence location

05 Change in hour of day traveling

06 Change mode of transportation

07 Change in route

88 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

98 (DK/NR)

8.8c What is the primary reason that it is longer? (DO NOT READ) (CLARIFY FROM LIST AS NECESSARY)

01 Traffic congestion has gotten worse

02 Roads are worse

03 Change job location

04 Change residence location

05 Change in hour of day traveling

06 Change mode of transportation

07 Change in route

88 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

98 (DK/NR)

8.9. Have you changed your method of traveling to and from work/school in the last two or three years?

1 Yes

2 No GO TO 8.12

8 DK/NR GO TO 8.12

8.10. How did you travel previously? (DO NOT READ) (CLARIFY FROM LIST AS NECESSARY)

01 Drive own car

02 Carpool/Vanpool

03 Ride bus

04 Bicycle

05 Motorcycle

06 Walk/jog

07 No travel/Work at home

88 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

8.11. What is the primary reason you changed your means of travel? (DO NOT READ) (CLARIFY FROM LIST AS NECESSARY)

01 Changed home address

02 Changed work address

03 Convenience

04 Got new car

05 Cost of fuel/gas

06 Bus too slow/Bus makes me late

07 My schedule changed

08 Have no car

09 Parking problems

10 Bus schedule changed

11 Health/Environmental reasons

88 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

8.12. **(IF Q8.2 = YES, CONTINUE; OTHERWISE SKIP TO 8.13)**

If the conditions were right for you, please tell me if you would be very, somewhat, or not at all willing to use the following alternatives to driving alone to work/school/other destination? **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

3 Very willing

2 Somewhat willing

1 Not at all willing

A. Riding the bus

B. Using a carpool or vanpool

C. Ride a bike

D. Ride commuter rail or train

E. Walk

8.13a Do you currently have free parking at work or school?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

8.13b Does your employer offer any of the following options at your regular place of work or school? ROTATE, READ LIST

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR).

A. Work at home/telecommute?

B. Flexible work hours?

C. Compressed work week (like four 10 hour days)?

D. Rebate of parking fees?

E. Encourages carpools for employees?

F. Offer bus passes or other public transportation incentives?

G. Provide preferential parking for carpoolers?

H. Provide transportation for carpoolers or bus riders to use in emergencies?

I. Provide parking, storage or shower facilities for bicycle riders?

\*(skip 8.13c if no ‘Yes’ responses at 8.13b?)

8.13c. Do you currently take advantage of any of these options?

1 Yes GO TO 8.14

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

8.13d. Would you take advantage of these options if offered?

1 Yes, SPECIFY (ask follow-up)

2 Maybe, SPECIFY (ask follow-up)

3 Probably Not

4 No

9 (DK/NR)

8.13d (follow-up) Which options would you take advantage of?

(DO NOT READ - SELECT ALL THAT APPLY)

01 Work at home/telecommute

02 Flexible work hours

03 Compressed work week (like four 10 hour days)

04 Rebate of parking fees

05 Carpools for employees

06 Bus passes or other public transportation incentives

07 Preferential parking for carpoolers

08 Transportation for carpoolers or bus riders to use in emergencies

09 Parking, storage or shower facilities for bicycle riders

98 (DON’T KNOW)

8.14. I'm going to read a list of things typically cited to improve transportation. For you, please tell me if these are very important, somewhat important, not really important, or not at all important? (ROTATE, READ LIST)

4 Very important

3 Somewhat important

2 Not really important

1 Not at all important

A. More toll roads

B. More freeways and roads

C. Synchronize traffic lights

D. More bike lanes and sidewalks

E. More carpools and ride-sharing

F. Improved bus service

G. More commuter rail and other rail service

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL TRAVIS COUNTY PLUS SET A)**

Next are some questions about Air Quality in Central Texas.

9.1. Are you familiar with Ozone Action Days?

1 Yes

2 No GO TO 9.3

9 (DKNR) GO TO 9.3

9.2. Do you do any of the following differently on Ozone Action Days?

READ / ROTATE CHOICES, SCREENER CODE AND RECORD ALL THAT APPLY

01 Delay buying gas till 5:00 P.M.

02 Delay mowing lawn

03 Ride Bus/Walk/Bicycle

04 Carpool

05 Work at home

06 Change time you go to or return from work/school

07 Change number of side trips /extra trips

08 No Changes in commuting

09 Not applicable, don’t commute/work at home

96 (DO NOTHING DIFFERENT)

88 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

9.3. Do you believe that higher ozone levels pose a very serious threat to you and your family, somewhat serious, not so serious, or no threat at all?

4 Very Serious

3 Somewhat Serious

2 Not So Serious

1 None at All

9 (DON'T KNOW)

9.4. What is the year, make and model of the car or truck that you drive most?

YEAR: Specify: (1900-2016) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9998 (DON’T DRIVE/NONE)

9999 (DK/NR)

1 MAKE AND MODEL: Specify: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

9 (DK/NR)

9.5. What fuel do you use for that vehicle?

1 Gas (regular, unleaded)

2 Hybrid (gas/electric)

3 Diesel

8 Other

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL TRAVIS COUNTY PLUS SET A)**

Next are a few questions about your Perceptions of Crime.

10.1 Is there any area in your neighborhood or community (CLARIFY: within 1/2 mile of your home) where you are afraid to walk at night?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

10.2 Is there any area in your neighborhood or community (CLARIFY: within 1/2 mile of your home) where you are afraid to walk during the day?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

10.3 Over the past 2 years, how much do you feel that VIOLENT crime (CLARIFY: murder, assault, rape, robbery) in your neighborhood or community has increased? Would you say it has…

1 Increased a lot

2 Increased somewhat

3 Decreased somewhat

4 Decreased a lot

9 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/CAN'T SAY)

10.4 Over the past 2 years, how much do you feel that PROPERTY crime (CLARIFY: burglary, theft, car theft) in your neighborhood or community has increased?

1 Increased a lot

2 Increased somewhat

3 Decreased somewhat

4 Decreased a lot

9 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/CAN'T SAY)

10.5 The next few questions are about your confidence in different parts of the adult criminal justice system in your community. For each one, tell me if you have a great deal of confidence, some confidence, little confidence, or no confidence. DO **NOT** ROTATE LIST

4 Great deal of confidence

3 Some confidence

2 Little confidence

1 No confidence

9 (DON’T KNOW/NOT SURE)

A. The local police and law enforcement?

B. The criminal courts? (CLARIFY: your city or county courts)

C. The probation and parole system?

D. The prison system? (CLARIFY: your city or county jails)

E. The adult criminal justice system as a whole?

**Field 10.6, 10.7, 10.8 to City of Austin residents only**

10.6 I’m now going to read you some statements about the police who serve your neighborhood. For each one please tell me if you agree strongly, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat, or disagree strongly with the statement. **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

4 Agree strongly

3 Agree somewhat

2 Disagree somewhat

1 Disagree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

1. The police are doing a good job dealing with problems that concern people in my neighborhood

2. The police are noticeably present/highly visible in my neighborhood.

3. I am satisfied with the police officers who serve my neighborhood.

10.7 Would you say it is very likely, likely, neither likely nor unlikely, unlikely, or very unlikely that your neighbors could be counted on to intervene if: **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

5 Very likely

4 Likely

3 Neither likely nor unlikely

2 Unlikely

1 Very unlikely

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

1.  Children were skipping school and hanging out on a street corner

2.  Children were spray-painting graffiti on a local building

3.  Children were showing disrespect to an adult

4.  A fight broke out in front of their house

5.  The fire station closest to their home was threatened with budget cuts

10.8 I’m now going to read you some statements related to the people in your neighborhood. For each one please tell me if you agree strongly, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat, or disagree strongly with the statement. **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

4 Agree strongly

3 Agree somewhat

2 Disagree somewhat

1 Disagree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

1. People around here are willing to help their neighbors

2. This is a close-knit neighborhood

3. People in this neighborhood can be trusted

4. People in this neighborhood generally don't get along with each other

5. People in this neighborhood do not share the same values.

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL TRAVIS COUNTY PLUS SET A)**

The next few questions are about Working and Education in our region.

11.1 Think about your current skill levels related to your job or school. To what extent would you say that your current skill levels or education limit your ability to have the kind of job or position you'd like to have within the next 5 years?

4 A great deal

3 Somewhat

2 Just a little

1 Not at all GO TO 11.4

9 (DK/NR)

11.2 In our region, how available are high quality education, professional development or training for the kind of job you'd like to have in 5 years? Would you say it is…

3 Very available

2 Usually available

1 Not available

4 (DEPENDS)

9 (DK/NR)

11.3 Compared to other people in our region with the same education, skills, and interests that you have, do you feel you have equal opportunities to get the kind of job you’d like to have?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

**(DIFFERENT FROM 2010 WAVE)**

11.4A How important do you think Pre-K attendance is for future school success of students?

4 Very important

3 Somewhat important

2 Not really important

1 Not at all important

9 (DK/NR)

11.5 I’m going to read some statements typically given for why kids dropout or don’t perform well in high school. For each one, please tell me if you agree strongly, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat, or disagree strongly with the statement. ROTATE LIST

4 Agree strongly

3 Agree somewhat

2 Disagree somewhat

1 Disagree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

A. The public school system isn’t working

B. Parents aren’t involved enough

C. Some kids have more important priorities than school

D. Success in life doesn’t depend on finishing high school

11.6 How much additional income over a lifetime do you think a high school diploma is worth?

1 $100,000 or less

2 $100,000 to $500,000

3 $500,000 to one million

4 One million to two million

5 More than two million

9 (DK/NR)

11.7 I’m now going to read to you some statements about college and university education. For each one, please tell me if you agree strongly, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat, or disagree strongly with the statement. **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

4 Agree strongly

3 Agree somewhat

2 Disagree somewhat

1 Disagree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

A. Society has a responsibility to help all students get into college, regardless of ethnicity or economic background

B. Our Texas economy will be strong no matter how many Texas kids go to college

C. Going to a college or university just isn’t for everyone

D. College is too expensive nowadays, even with financial aid

11.8 How much additional income over a lifetime do you think a college diploma is worth?

(CLARIFY: in addition to value of high school diploma)`

1 Less than $100,000

2 $100,000 to $500,000

3 $500,000 to one million

4 One million to two million

5 More than two million

9 (DK/NR)

11.9 Did you attend high school in Central Texas? (CLARIFY: in Bastrop, Burnet, Caldwell, Hays, Travis or Williamson County)

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

11.10 Do you have a child who attends or has attended an elementary, middle or high school in Central Texas? (CLARIFY: In Bastrop, Burnet, Caldwell, Hays, Travis or Williamson County)

1 Currently

2 Previously

3 Never

4 No

9 (DK/NR)

11.11 I’m going to read you some statements about public school education. For each one please tell me if you strongly agree, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat or disagree strongly with the statement. **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

4 Agree strongly

3 Agree somewhat

2 Disagree somewhat

1 Disagree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

1. Our region’s education systems are effective in equipping all students to be prepared for college or careers
2. Reducing the number of student absences will return millions of dollars to our school districts
3. I have a responsibility to support the success of students in our region, even if I have no children of my own in school
4. Central Texas schools are eliminating achievement gaps between different groups of students

11.12 I am going to read some statements about education and our community. For each one

please tell me if you strongly agree, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat or disagree strongly with the statement. **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

4 Agree strongly

3 Agree somewhat

2 Disagree somewhat

1 Disagree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

1. We need to raise more kids out of poverty if we want to improve educational outcomes
2. We need to improve educational outcomes if we want to raise more kids out of poverty.
3. Businesses across our region have a responsibility to help our students succeed in school.
4. Community groups have a responsibility to help our students succeed in school.
5. Parents and families have a responsibility to help our students succeed in school.

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

Next I have some questions about your abilities to read and write in English.

12.1. Would you say that your abilities to read and write in English limit your potential to get a job that you would otherwise be qualified for: (READ CHOICES)

4 A great deal

3 Somewhat

2 Just a little

1 Not at all

9 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/CAN'T SAY)

12.2. Would you say that your abilities to read and write in English limit how easily you can get things done day to day: (READ CHOICES)

4 A great deal

3 Somewhat

2 Just a little

1 Not at all

9 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE/CAN'T SAY)

* 1. Are you comfortable reading and writing in a language other than English?

1 Yes SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

Next are some questions about Growth in Central Texas

13.1 For you, please tell me if you agree strongly, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat, or disagree strongly with the statement. ROTATE LIST

4 Agree strongly

3 Agree somewhat

2 Disagree somewhat

1 Disagree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

1. Because we can move water wherever we need to, we shouldn’t worry about where the water comes from for new development

B. We should widen freeways and build new roads rather than invest more in public transit and other alternatives to cars

C. I am willing to have more people live in my neighborhood so that less natural land or farming areas have to be developed

D. We have plenty of room for growth and shouldn’t worry about cities spreading out as they grow

E. Our community has a responsibility to make sure housing is more affordable for the average worker (CLARIFY: affordable to teachers, fire-fighters, etc.)

F. My county government needs a little more power so we can get much better development in our county, outside of our cities

G. Preservation of my community’s unique character depends on HOW we grow, not how MUCH we grow.

13.2 In your own words, what do you think are the THREE biggest growth related challenges in your community?

DO NOT READ, SCREENER CODE, PROMPT FOR UP TO THREE RESPONSES

01 Water supply

02 Water quality

03 Air quality

04 Controlling land use

05 Urban sprawl

06 Population/too many people

07 Farm and ranchland preservation

08 Illegal dumping/*Solid Waste*

09 Energy issues

10 Cost of living

11 Health care

12 Housing choices

13 Jobs

14 Parks/Open space

15 Public education

16 Public safety

17 Racial issues

18 Social equity

19 Transportation/Congestion

88 Other, SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

98 (DK/NR)

13.3. Is there a neighborhood park or other public outdoor area within walking distance of your home?

1 Yes

2 No [SKIP TO NEXT SECTION]

9 (DON’T KNOW/NOT SURE) [SKIP TO NEXT SECTION]

13.4. Do you use the neighborhood park or other public outdoor area that is within walking distance of your home? (IF NO, ASK:) What is the main reason that you do not use it? (READ CHOICES)

~~I do not live within walking distance of a neighborhood park or other public outdoor area~~

01 DO NOT READ (Yes, I use a neighborhood park or other public outdoor area)

02 It is too dangerous because of crime

03 It is too dangerous because of traffic

88 Some other reason (SPECIFY)

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

Next I have several questions about your Health and Health Insurance.

14.1 Would you say that in general your health is:

5 Excellent

4 Very Good

3 Good

2 Fair

1 Poor

8 (DON’T KNOW / NOT SURE)

9 (REFUSED)

14.2 Do you currently have any kind of health care coverage, including health insurance, prepaid plans such as HMOs, or government plans such as Medicare?

1 Yes

2 No GOTO 14.4

8 (DON’T KNOW / NOT SURE)

9 (REFUSED)

14.3 During the past 12 months, was there any time that you did not have any health insurance or coverage?

1 Yes

2 No GOTO 14.5

8 (DK/NR) GOTO 14.5

9 (REFUSED) GOTO 14.5

14.4 What is the main reason you are or were without health care coverage?

DO NOT READ LIST, SCREENER CODE ONE RESPONSE

01 I lost job or changed employers

02 Spouse or parent providing coverage lost job or changed employers

03 Became divorced or separated

04 Spouse or parent died

05 Became ineligible because of age or because left school

06 Employer doesn’t offer or stopped offering coverage

07 Cut back to part time or became temporary employee

08 Benefits from employer or former employer ran out

09 Couldn't afford to pay the premiums

10 Insurance company refused coverage

11 Lost Medicaid or Medical Assistance eligibility

12 Self-employed, cost is too high

13 Don’t need health insurance/usually healthy

88 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

98 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE)

99 (REFUSED)

14.5 When you are sick or need health advice or health care, to which ONE of the following places do you usually go? READ LIST

01 A doctor’s office

02 A public health clinic or community health center

03 A hospital emergency room

04 A hospital outpatient department

05 Urgent care center

06 Internet, online

07 Family or friends

88 Some other kind of place (SPECIFY)

96 (NO USUAL PLACE)

98 (DON’T KNOW)

99 (REFUSED)

14.6 Was there a time in the past 12 months when you needed medical care, but could not get it?

1 Yes

2 No Go to 14.9

9 (DK/NR) Go to 14.9

14.7 What is the main reason you did not get medical care? DO NOT READ

(CLARIFY: if more than one instance, ask about the most recent.)

01 Cost of getting care I needed

02 Cost of having insurance

03 Distance

04 Office wasn’t open when I could get there

05 Too long a wait for an appointment

06 Too long a wait in the waiting room

07 No child care

08 No transportation

09 No access for people with disabilities

10 The medical provider didn’t speak my language

88 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

98 (DON’T KNOW / NOT SURE)

99 (REFUSED)

14.8 What specific type of medical care were you not able to get? DO NOT READ

(CLARIFY: if more than one instance, ask about the most recent.)

01 Primary care (CLARIFY: prenatal visit, child well check, annual physical, etc.)

02 Emergency care

03 Specialty care (CLARIFY: visit to a specialist such as dermatologist)

04 Dental care

05 Mental health care

06 Eye care

07 Medications

88 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

14.9 Now thinking about your physical health, which includes physical illness and injury, how many days during the past 30 days was your physical health not good? (PROBE FOR BEST GUESS)

\_\_ \_\_ Number of days (0-30)

00 (NONE)

98 (DON’T KNOW)

99 (REFUSED)

\*question numbers changed to match previous wave

14.9A When was the last time you saw a doctor or nurse for a check-up or physical exam when you were not sick or injured?

1 During the past 12 months

2 Between 12 and 24 months ago

3 More than 24 months ago

4 Never

9 (NOT SURE)

14.10 Now thinking about your mental health, which includes stress, depression, and problems with emotions, for how many days during the past 30 days was your mental health not good? (PROBE FOR BEST GUESS)

\_\_ \_\_ Number of days (0-30)

00 (NONE)

98 (DON’T KNOW)

99 (REFUSED)

14.11 How often do you get the social and emotional support you need? Would you say…

INTERVIEWER NOTE: If asked, say “please include support from any source”.

5 Always

4 Usually

3 Sometimes

2 Rarely

1 Never

8 (DON’T KNOW/NOT SURE)

9 (REFUSED)

14.12 In general, how satisfied are you with your life? Would you say…

4 Very satisfied

3 Satisfied

2 Dissatisfied

1 Very dissatisfied

8 (DON'T KNOW / NOT SURE)

9 (REFUSED)

14.15 **[FIELD TO BASTROP, BURNET, CALDWELL, HAYS, WILLIAMSON COUNTY RESIDENTS]**

Was there a time in the last 12 months when you sought medical care in Travis County?

1 Yes

2 No

8 (DON’T KNOW)

9 (REFUSED)

14.16 During the past month, other than your regular job, did you participate in any physical activities or exercises such as running, calisthenics, golf, gardening, or walking for exercise?

1 Yes

2 No

8 (DON’T KNOW / NOT SURE)

9 (REFUSED)

14.17 How long has it been since you last visited a dentist or a dental clinic for any reason? Include visits to dental specialists, such as orthodontists.

01 Within the past year (anytime less than 12 months ago) [SKIP TO 14.19]

02 Within the past 2 years (1 year but less than 2 years ago)

03 Within the past 5 years (2 years but less than 5 years ago)

04 5 or more years ago

98 (DON’T KNOW / NOT SURE)

96 (NEVER)

99 (REFUSED)

14.18 What is the main reason you have not visited the dentist in the past year?

**(READ ONLY IF NECESSARY)**

01 Fear, apprehension, nervousness, pain, dislike going

02 Cost

03 Do not have/know a dentist

04 Cannot get to the office/clinic (too far away, no transportation, no appointments available)

05 No reason to go (no problems, no teeth)

06 Other priorities

07 Have not thought of it

88 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

98 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE)

99 (REFUSED)

14.19. Do you have any kind of insurance coverage that pays for some or all of your routine dental care, including dental insurance, prepaid plans such as HMOs, or government plans such as Medicaid?

1 Yes

2 No

8 (DON'T KNOW/NOT SURE)

9 (REFUSED)

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL TRAVIS COUNTY PLUS SET A)**

Now I want to ask you a few questions about Race and Ethnicity.

15.1. How often do you think about your race or ethnicity? READ LIST

(INTERVIEWER NOTE: The responses can be interpreted as meaning "at least" the indicated time frequency. If a respondent cannot decide between two categories, check the response for the lower frequency. For example, if a respondent says that they think about their race between once a week and once a month, check "once a month" as the response.)

1 Never

2 Once a year

3 Once a month

4 Once a week

5 Once a day

6 Once an hour

7 Constantly

8 (DON’T KNOW / NOT SURE)

9 (REFUSED)

15.2 How many times in the past 30 days have you attended an event or activity, outside of work, where you were not part of the majority race/ethnicity in attendance? READ LIST

1 Once or twice

2 Three or four times

3 About once a week

4 Two or three times a week

5 Every day

7 Never

8 (DON’T KNOW / NOT SURE)

9 (REFUSED)

15. 3 In the last 12 months, would you say that the number of these events is:

5 A lot more

4 A little more

3 About the same

2 A little fewer

1 A lot fewer

8 (DON’T KNOW / NOT SURE)

9 (REFUSED)

15.4. Within the past 30 days, have you felt emotionally upset, for example angry, sad, or frustrated, as a result of how you were treated based on your race or ethnicity?

1 Yes

2 No

8 (DON’T KNOW / NOT SURE)

9 (REFUSED)

15.5. Within the past 12 months at work, do you feel you were treated worse than, the same as, or better than people of other races or ethnicities?

1 Worse than other races

2 The same as other races

3 Better than other races

8 (DK/NR)

15.7 I’m now going to read to you some statements about race and ethnicity in your community. For each one, please tell me if you disagree strongly, disagree somewhat, agree somewhat, or agree strongly.

**(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

1 Disagree strongly

2 Disagree somewhat

3 Agree somewhat

4 Agree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

A. My government should do more to improve race relations

B. Racial tensions are a result of big social and national trends rather than a result of local trends and conditions

C. I don’t think about people based on their race/ethnicity, but because others do, we have problem.

**CITY OF AUSTIN RESIDENTS ONLY**

* 1. Do you feel that Austin is a welcoming city for African Americans? (READ CHOICES)

4 Very Much

3 Somewhat

2 Not really

1 Not at all

9 (DK/NR)

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

Now some questions about your Water Awareness.

16.1 Which of the following best describes your knowledge of the natural source for your drinking water? Would you say…

4 I definitely know

3 I think I know

2 I am not so sure

1 I have no idea

9 (DK/NR)

16.2 In your own words, please tell me the main natural source of your drinking water.

DO NOT READ, SCREENER CODE

01 Edwards Aquifer

02 Wells/well water/my own

03 Barton Springs

04 Colorado River

05 Lakes/Rivers/Streams

06 Rain/the sky

07 City/County/Municipal District

88 Other Water Provider (SPECIFY)

98 (DK/NR)

99 (REFUSED)

16.3 To whom do you pay your water bill?

1 SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2 No one/myself

9 (DK/NR)

16.4a Thinking about the amount of water in your community NOW, would you say there is…

5 More than enough water in your area

4 Enough water, but not much extra

3 About the right amount of water

2 Probably not enough water

1 A considerable shortage of water

9 (UNSURE/REFUSED)

16.4b Thinking about the amount of water in your community 25 YEARS FROM NOW, would you say there will be…

5 More than enough water in your area

4 Enough water, but not much extra

3 About the right amount of water

2 Probably not enough water

1 A considerable shortage of water

9 (UNSURE/REFUSED)

16.5 Are you aware of any efforts to conserve water in your community?

1 Yes

2 No

8 (UNSURE)

9 (REFUSED)

16.6 (IF 16.5=YES:) Please tell me any programs or groups making any effort to conserve water.

88 SPECIFY: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

98 (DK/NR)

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL TRAVIS COUNTY PLUS SET B)**

Now some questions about Climate Change.

\*question numbers changed to match previous wave

17.0 The following questions are about environmental attitudes. For each one, please tell me if you disagree strongly, disagree somewhat, agree somewhat, or agree strongly. **(ROTATE QUESTIONS)**

1 Disagree strongly

2 Disagree somewhat

3 Agree somewhat

4 Agree strongly

9 (DON’T KNOW/NO RESPONSE)

1. I consider myself to be an environmentalist
2. Environmental issues are too complicated to ever really know what to do
3. My actions can influence the quality of the environment
4. It is OK for humans to change the natural environment to suit our needs
5. Humans are smart enough to make sure that we do not make the earth unlivable
6. Things humans do can really hurt the natural environment

17.1 In the past 6 months, have you heard or read anything about climate change?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

17.3 Where do you get your information about climate change? DO NOT READ – SELECT ALL THAT APPLY

01 Newspaper

02 TV

03 Internet/Website/Email

04 Family/Friends/Co-workers

05 Radio

06 Magazines

07 Billboards

08 Community Groups

09 Faith-Based Organizations

10 Mailers

11 Government Officials

12 Environmental Groups

88 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

97 (NONE/DO NOT GET INFORMATION)

17.4A Thinking about the causes of climate change, which, if any, of the following best describes your opinion?

1 Climate change is entirely caused by natural processes

2 Climate change is mainly caused by natural processes

3 Climate change is partly caused by natural processes and partly caused by human activity

4 Climate change is mainly caused by human activity

5 Climate change is entirely caused by human activity

9 I think there is no such thing as climate change

17.4 Who do you think is responsible for addressing climate change? (ROTATE CHOICES)

Rank the list from 1 to 5 (with 1 meaning the most responsible and 5 meaning the least responsible)

Individual Citizens RANK: \_\_\_\_\_

Business/Industry RANK: \_\_\_\_\_

Local Government RANK: \_\_\_\_\_

State Government RANK: \_\_\_\_\_

Federal Government RANK: \_\_\_\_\_

17.5 On a scale from 1 to 10 with 1 meaning not concerned and 10 meaning very concerned, how concerned are you about climate change?

LEVEL OF CONCERN: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

These next questions are about the food eaten in your household in the last 12 months, since (current month) of last year, and the affordability of the food you need.

~~FILL INSTRUCTIONS: Select the appropriate fill from parenthetical choices depending on the number of persons and number of adults in the household.~~ **(this information is not asked/available)**

I’m going to read you several statements that people have made about their food situation. For these statements, please tell me whether the statement was often true, sometimes true, or never true for your household in the last 12 months—that is, since last (name of current month).

18.1 The first statement is, “The food that you bought just didn’t last, and you didn’t have money to get more.” Was that often, sometimes, or never true for your household in the last 12 months?

1 Often true

2 Sometimes true

3 Never true

9 (DK OR REFUSED)

18.2. You couldn’t afford to eat balanced meals.” Was that often, sometimes, or never true for your household in the last 12 months?

1 Often true

2 Sometimes true

3 Never true

9 (DK OR REFUSED)

18.3. In the last 12 months, since last (name of current month), did you or other adults in your household ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food?

1 Yes

2 No (Skip 18.4)

9 (DK) (Skip 18.4)

18.4. [IF YES ABOVE, ASK] How often did this happen—almost every month, some months but not every month, or in only 1 or 2 months?

1 Almost every month

2 Some months but not every month

3 Only 1 or 2 months

9 (DK)

18.5. In the last 12 months, did you ever eat less than you felt you should because there wasn't enough money for food?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK)

18.6. In the last 12 months, were you every hungry but didn't eat because there wasn't enough money for food?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK)

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF TRAVIS COUNTY ONLY)**

The following questions are intended to collect feedback from Travis County residents on the growth related policies and priorities identified in the Travis County Land, Water and Transportation Plan, available online.

[FOR CLARIFICATION IF ASKED] “Activity Centers are mixed-use developments that have the density and design attributes to accommodate vehicular traffic, support walking and bicycling, and are conducive to transit options. Travis County does not develop activity centers; private developers, municipalities and non-profits do. The county can encourage activity centers, however by providing public infrastructure, such as multi-use roads, drainage features, parks, trails, and county facilities within activity centers; as well as expediting development permits for them when possible.”

19.1 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about priorities as strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree, or strongly disagree. ROTATE LIST

5 Strongly agree

4 Agree

3 Neutral

2 Disagree

1 Strongly disagree

9 (DK/NR)

1. Travis County should use agreements with willing landowners to conserve land.
2. Travis County should purchase parkland to conserve land.
3. Travis County should use voter-approved bonds to support land conservation.
4. Travis County should use voter-approved portions of tax revenues to support land conservation.
5. Travis County should conserve land by buying flood-prone properties.
6. Travis County cannot afford to conserve land and should use public dollars for other purposes.

19.2 Which of the following statements best describes your opinion for areas in unincorporated Travis County? PICK ONE

1. Travis County should create policies to encourage new growth to locate in Activity Centers supported by investments in Transportation Corridors.
2. Current growth patterns should continue with little focus on Activity Centers and transportation investments should be made accordingly.
3. No preference.

19.3 Please indicate your level of agreement with Travis County using the following types of incentives to support development of Activity Centers as strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree, or strongly disagree. ROTATE LIST

5 Strongly agree

4 Agree

3 Neutral

2 Disagree

1 Strongly disagree

9 (DK/NR)

1. Prioritize funding of transportation improvements that support Activity Centers.
2. Use voter approved funding to construct roadways to support Activity Centers (General Obligation Bonds).
3. Use voter approved funding to partner with developers to construct roadways to support Activity Centers (Public-Private Partnerships).
4. Use a portion of property tax from landowners within Activity Centers to pay back improvement bonds (Tax Increment Finance and Public Improvement Districts).
5. Reconstruction roadways within and supporting Activity Centers to be more bicycle, bus, and pedestrian friendly.
6. Use tax incentives for employers to locate in Activity Centers (Tax Abatements).
7. Locate public facilities (County offices, community centers, etc) in Activity Centers.

19.4 Please indicate your level of agreement with the following statements about your travel to work as strongly agree, agree, neutral, disagree, or strongly disagree. ROTATE LIST

5 Strongly agree

4 Agree

3 Neutral

2 Disagree

1 Strongly disagree

9 (DK/NR)

1. The length of my commute to work is an important factor in deciding where I live.
2. It is important to have trails, sidewalks, and bike paths which are connected to parks, schools, and businesses near my home.
3. It is important to me to live in a community where I can take a bus or transit to work.
4. It is important to me to live in a community where I can walk or bike to work.

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

These next questions about demographics enable us to ensure that our survey participants reflect the population of our region:

D.1 How many years have you lived in this region?

Number of Years: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

01 (LESS THAN 1 YR)

99 (DK/NR)

D.2 How many years have you lived in your current neighborhood?

Number of Years: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

01 (LESS THAN 1 YR)

99 (DK/NR)

**\*check logic – D2 cannot be more than D1**

D.3 Including yourself, how many people in your family live or stay at this household? (CLARIFY: all people of any age who are related to you in some way).

Number of people: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_

99 (DK/NR)

D.4 Do you own or rent your place of residence?

1 Own

2 Rent

9 (DK/NR)

D.5 Which of the following categories best describes your FAMILY income before taxes?

[If respondent refuses at ANY income level, code Refused]

04 Less than $65,000 **If “no,” ask 05; if “yes,” ask 03**

($55,000 to less than $65,000)

03 Less than $55,000 **If “no,” code 04; if “yes,” ask 02**

($45,000 to less than $55,000)

02 Less than $45,000 **If “no,” code 03; if “yes,” ask 07**

($35,000 to less than $45,000)

07 Less than $35,000 **If “no,” code 02; if “yes,” ask 01**

($25,000 to less than $35,000)

01 Less than $25,000 **If “no,” code 07; if “yes,” ask OA**

($15,000 to less than $25,000)

0A Less than $15,000 **If “no,” code 01; if “yes,” code 0A**

(less than $15,000)

05 Less than $75,000 **If “no,” ask 06; if yes, code 05**

($65,000 to less than $75,000)

06 Less than $115,000 **If “no,” ask 0C; if “yes,” ask 08**

($105,000 to less than $115,000)

08 Less than $105,000 **If “no,” code 06; if “yes,” ask 09**

($95,000 to less than $105,000)

09 Less than $95,000 **If “no,” code 08; if “yes,” ask 0B**

($85,000 to less than $95,000)

0B Less than $85,000 **If “no,” code 09; if “yes,” code 0B**

($75,000 to less than $85,000)

0C Less than $125,000 **If “no,” code 0D; if “yes,” code 0C**

($115,000 to less than $125,000)

0D $125,000 or more

Don’t know/Not sure

Refused

D.6 Are you of Hispanic or Latino descent?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

D.7 Which of the following best describes your race? Are you…

1 White or Anglo

2 Black or African American

3 Asian

7 Mixed races

8 Some other race (SPECIFY)

9 (DK/NR)

D.8 Which of the following best describes your age? Are you…

1 Between 18 and 24

2 25 to 34

3 35 to 44

4 45 to 54

5 55 to 64

6 65 or above

9 (DK/NR/REFUSED)

D.9 What is the highest level of education you completed? (READ LIST AS NECESSARY)

1 Grade school or less (<8TH)

2 Some High School (9-11TH)

3 High School Graduate / GED

4 College (Some)/Associates

5 College Graduate / Bachelors

6 Advanced College Degree (Master/PHD)

9 (DK/NR)

D.10 Did you vote in the last general election of November 2014?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

D.11 Do you intend to vote in the next general election in November, 2016?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

D.12 Did you vote in the last local election in your community? (CLARIFY: City, County, School)

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

D.13X With what political party do you usually identify yourself?

1 Democrat

2 Republican

3 Independent

8 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

9 (DK/NR)

D.14 How would you describe where you live?

1 Urban

2 Suburban

3 Rural changing to suburban

4 Rural

9 (DK/NR)

D.15 What is your home zip code?

Zip code: (78000-78999)

99999 (DK/NR)

D.16 What is your work zip code?

Zip code: (78000-78999)

99999 (DK/NR)

D.17 How would you describe your sexuality? SCREENER CODE

1 Straight, heterosexual (CLARIFY: attracted to opposite sex only)

2 Gay, lesbian, homosexual (CLARIFY: attracted to same sex only)

3 Bi-sexual

4 Transgender

5 (UNSURE ABOUT SEXUAL IDENTITY)

8 (OTHER-SPECIFY)

9 (DK/NR)

# **(ASK THIS SECTION OF ALL RESPONDENTS)**

Our final questions are about your awareness of our survey partners:

\*question numbers changed to match previous wave

B14. Have you heard of “**KLRU**”?

1 Yes

2 No

9 (DK/NR)

B14a. If YES, What is your impression of the “**KLRU**”?

5 Strong positive

4 Somewhat positive

3 Heard of, but no opinion/Neutral

2 Somewhat negative

1 Strong negative

9 (DK/NR)

INTERVIEWER OBSERVATIONS

I.12 Respondent’s Gender:

1 MALE

2 FEMALE

I.13 County of Residence (from Sample)

1 TRAVIS

2 WILLIAMSON

3 HAYS

4 BASTROP

5 CALDWELL

6 BURNET

That's all the questions I have today. Thank you for your time. In case my supervisor needs to verify that I conducted this survey, may I record your first name? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

And let me verify that I reached you at \_\_\_ - \_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you and have a nice day.