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WINFIELD PARK COMMUNITY SURVEY
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I am from Columbia University. We are making a survey of Winfield to learn some things about housing communities. I wonder if I might ask you some questions, most of which you can answer simply with a Yes or No.

1. (a) How many times have you moved since Pearl Harbor? _____
(b) In the four years before the war, how many times did you move? _____
2. (a) When did you move to Winfield? (Month and year) _____
(b) Where did you live just before coming here?

Town: _____

Type of dwelling: _____

How many rooms did you have there: _____

- (c) How did you happen to move out of that house -- did you have to move or did you choose to move?
 Had to
 Chose to
 Other (specify) _____

3. Before coming to Winfield, how much of our life have you lived in a city?

All in city Most in the country
 Most in city All in the country
 About half in city

4. Do you prefer the kinds of things you can do in the city or the kinds of things you can do in Winfield?

City Winfield Same D.K.

5. (a) About how long does it take you (your husband) to get from home to your (his) place of work?

Minutes

- (b) What about where you lived before -- how long did it take?

Minutes

6. (a) How do you best like to spend your leisure time -- staying at home or "on the go"?

Staying at home On the go D.K.

- (b) How about your wife (husband)?

Staying at home On the go D.K.

7. INTERVIEWER: Ask question 47a. at this point; then proceed with question 8.

8. If you were to move from Winfield, would you like to live in another housing project? (INTERVIEWER: code)

Yes No
 Yes, if like Winfield No, want to own home
 Yes, if unlike Winfield

9. Do you ever expect to own a home or have part interest in a home?

Yes: Any particular place?

Winfield

Other place

No particular place)

-- How about Winfield? (INTERVIEWER:
code)

Yes, Winfield

No, can't own home here

No, don't like houses

No, don't like people

No, other

No: Have you ever thought of owning a home or having part interest
in a home in Winfield? Yes No

D.K.

10. Compared with places where you've lived before, do you feel that the rent you
are paying in Winfield is high for what you are getting, fairly low, or about
right?

High

Fairly low

About right

D.K.

11. (a) Do you feel that you have enough privacy here in Winfield or not?

Yes

No

D.K.

(b) Do you feel that you have more or less privacy here than you did where you
lived before?

More: (INTERVIEWER: Record symbols of privacy, e.g., thin walls,

Less: gossip, management interference, etc.)

Same

D.K.

(c) Does it matter to you whether or not you have much privacy?

Yes

No

D.K.

12. Have you found that you and your family do more things together since you've
been living in Winfield?

More:

Fewer: } -- (INTERVIEWER: Record comment)

Same

D.K.

13. Where do you think you can trust people more -- in the neighborhood where you
lived before or in a place like Winfield?

Neighborhood before

Winfield

Same

D.K.

14. (a) On the average, about how many hours a week would you say that you spend
in any sort of community activity here in Winfield -- going to meetings,
serving on committees, and so forth? Hours a week

(b) What about your wife (husband) -- about how many hours a week does she
(he) spend in going to meetings, serving on committees, and so forth? Hours a week

15. (a) Is it easier or harder to make friends in Winfield than in the town where you lived before?

Easier Harder Same D.K.

- (b) Do you get together with your neighbors here more often or less often than you did where you lived before? D.K.

More Less Same D.K.

16. On the whole, do you spend more time with friends living outside Winfield or with friends living in Winfield?

Friends living in Winfield In Winfield D.K.

- Outside Winfield —

17. (a) Could you tell me who your three closest friends are (whether they live in Winfield or not)?

- (b) Where does each of them live -- near you in Winfield, somewhere else in
Winfield, or outside Winfield?
(c) How did you happen to meet each of them? (c) How Met

- (c) How did you happen to meet? (b) Location As (c) How Met

(a) Name	Neigh- bor in W. bom.	Other Wnfd.	Out- side	Neigh- bor	Commty affairs	Thru work	Other (specify)
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18. Before coming to Winfield, did you keep up with what Congress was doing quite bit somewhat, or not at all? Not at all D.K.

Quite a bit Somewhat Not at all D.K.

19. (a) What clubs or organizations do you now belong to?
Does this list remind you of any (others)?
(b) Is _____ (Name of each club or organization) in Winfield or is it somewhere else?
(c) Does your wife (husband) also belong to _____?

(INTERVIEWER: get specific titles of organizations.)

(b) Location
Win- Out-
field side

(c) Spouse
Belongs Doesn't Belong D.F.

20. (a) What other clubs or organizations does your wife (husband) now belong to?
- (b) Is _____ in Winfield or somewhere else?
- (a) Spouse belongs to
- None
D.K.

(b) Location

Win-field	Out-side
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_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
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_____	_____
_____	_____

21. (a) What clubs or organizations did you belong to before coming to Winfield?
- (b) About when did you join each of these organizations? (year)
- (c) (If not still a member) When did you drop out of each organization?
- (a) Belonged to before Winfield: (b) When joined: (c) When dropped out:
None (If still a member, check)

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

22. (a) To which of these clubs or organizations did your wife (husband) also belong? Did your wife (husband) belong to any other organizations?
- (b) About when did your wife (husband) join each organization?
- (c) (If spouse not still a member) When did your wife (husband) drop out of each organization?

- (a) Spouse belonged to before Winfield: (b) When joined: (c) When dropped out:
None If member jointly
with spouse, check here (If still a member, check)

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

23. (a) Had you ever helped to start an organization before coming here?
Yes No
- (b) Were you ever an officer in any organizations before coming to Winfield?
Yes: In which ones? No

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24. (INTERVIEWER: Ask only of those who belong now but did not belong before)
 You did not belong to organizations before but you do here in Winfield.
 How does that happen?

25. (INTERVIEWER: Ask only of those who belonged before but don't now)
 You belonged to organizations before you came here, but you don't here in
 Winfield. How does that happen?

- (INTERVIEWER: Questions 26-31 are asked only of those who belong to one or more organizations in Winfield.)
26. About how long after you moved into Winfield did you first join a club or organization here?

What organization was it?

(If MHO or COOP) How long was it after you first came to Winfield before you joined another organization?

What was it?

27. Which of these comes nearer to what actually happened in your case -- that your friends got you into organizations here in Winfield or that you met your friends through the organizations?

Friends got you in Met friends through organizations
Doesn't apply (INTERVIEWER: Use only when absolutely necessary.)

28. Did you ever have a hand in starting some club or organization in Winfield?
 Yes: How many? _____
 No _____

29. Are you now or have you ever been an officer in any Winfield organization?
 Yes: In how many organizations? _____
 No _____

30. Do you like the organizations you belong to here in Winfield better than the ones you were in before you came to Winfield, not so well, or about the same?

Better Not so well Same D.K.

31. By and large, would you say that you became really interested in Winfield before or after you joined organizations here?

Before After Same time D.K.

(INTERVIEWER: End of questions for belongers only)

32. Which community - Winfield or any other place - do you think of as your real home - where you really belong? (Interviewer: code)

Nowhere

Winfield

Winfield, because happen to be here

Other: Apart from that place, is there any other place that you think of as your real home?

Nowhere and Winfield, because happen to be here

Other

33. Are you a member of Mutual Home Ownership in Winfield?

Yes

No: Have you ever heard of the Mutual Home Ownership Plan?

Yes No

34. Do you think that Mutual Home Ownership will work out in Winfield, or not?

Will work out

May work out (depends on

May not work out (depends on

Will not work out

D. K.

35. Do you know what the Board of Trustees of Mutual Home Ownership is?

Yes: Do you happen to know whether there are any tenant members

No: on the Board?

Yes: If the management and the tenant members of the

Board should disagree on some policy, which

No: do you think should have the final say?

Management Tenants

Neither (specify)

D.K.

36. (a) Are you a member of the Coop here?

Yes No

(b) Do you approve or disapprove of the idea of Coops?

Approve Disapprove Both Know nothing about it

(c) Were you ever a member of a Coop before coming here?

Yes No

(d) How did you feel about the idea of Coops before coming here - did you approve or disapprove?

Approve Disapprove Both Didn't know anything about it

37. Has the burning of the Coop luncheonette made any difference in your getting together with people?

(Interviewer: record comment)

Yes

No

D.K.

38(a) About how often do you go to the Winfield Community Center to spend time there?

- Never;
 Less than twice a year;
 From once a month to 3 or more times a year;

 Two or three times a month;
 Once a week;
 Two or more times a week;

Why don't you ever go (go more) to the Community Center?
(Interviewer Code)

- No time
 Prefer family life
 Don't like activities at CC
 For young people
 Other (specify)

(b) What would you say is the main reason for having the Community Center here?

39. Would you rather have club meetings at the Community Center or in someone's house? (Interviewer Code)

- Community Center: unqualified
 Community Center: houses too small
 Community Center: appropriate place

House
 Makes no difference
 D.K.

40. Do you happen to know whether or not Winfield has a library?

- Yes: Do you use the library more or less here than you did where you lived before?

No:

- More: genuine
 More: spurious
 Same

Less: genuine
 Less: spurious
 D.K.

41. Have you ever felt as though it was almost not worthwhile trying to keep your house in Winfield looking nice?

Yes: Why is that?

- Transiency
 Construction of house
 Other (specify)

No
 D.K.

42. (a) Comparing Winfield with the place you lived before coming here, do you feel that you have more or less of a chance to help decide what goes on?

- More chance Less chance Same chance D.K.

(b) Does it matter to you whether you have a hand in deciding what goes on?

- Yes No

43. Are you more or less interested in local politics in Winfield than you were in the last place where you lived?

More interested: By and large, did you become interested in politics here in Winfield before you joined organizations or after you joined organizations?

Before After Same time D.K.

Less interested

Just as interested

D.K.

44. Do you think that in the next 5 or 10 years Winfield will

Get better

Get worse, or

Stay the same

Go out of existence altogether?

Depends (specify) _____

45. Have you heard any rumors about Winfield?

Yes: What about? (INTERVIEWER: code)

Negroes

Veterans

Private concern

Other (specify) _____

No

46. Since living in Winfield, have you ever felt that you aren't spending as much time with your wife (husband) as you would like?

Yes: Why is that? (INTERVIEWER: code)

Being in organizations, community work, etc.

Job, time

Other (specify) _____

No

(INTERVIEWER: At this point ask only 47b)

47. (a) When you first moved here, how long had you intended to stay --
(b) How long do you now expect to stay in Winfield --

(a) First moved here

(b) Now

As long as your job lasted

: Suppose you continue to have a job around here -- how long do you expect to stay? (double punch)

Until you found a better place, or

Settle down and stay permanently?

Never really thought about it; D.K.

Other (specify) _____

If different check for now than before:

When you first moved here, you intended to ---- Now you intend to ----
How did you happen to change your mind?

(INTERVIEWER: Get time of change and specific reasons for it)

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48. Would you mind telling me how many children you have and how old they are?

No. of children: _____ Age of children: Male _____ Female _____

(a) At the time you moved to Winfield, was there any place near your work where you could have moved, besides Winfield? Yes _____ No _____

(b) (If respondent has children) Did you choose Winfield primarily for your children's sake or primarily for the adults in the family?

Children _____ Adults _____ D.K. _____

(c) (Ask of parents who have children up to 10 years old:)

Compared with other places you've lived, is it easier or harder to find someone in Winfield to look after your children when you want to go out?

Harder _____ Easier _____ No difference _____ D.K. _____

49. Which of these more nearly describes how you feel about the way the Winfield Management takes care of complaints?

It does everything it can as soon as possible _____

It does some things but not all it should _____

It does very little even about necessary repairs _____

50. Do you think that the Winfield management is fair or plays favorites in selecting new tenants for Winfield?

Fair _____ Favoritism _____ D.K. _____

51. Does the Winfield management have more or fewer rules about what tenants can and cannot do than the landlord did where you lived before?

More:) Do you think that is a good or bad thing?

Fewer:) Good:) What rules do you think are especially
Bad:) good (bad) here?

Same _____ No matter _____

D.K. _____ D.K. _____

52.(a) Do you feel that the Winfield management keeps you better informed about its plans and policies than it did a year ago, or worse informed?

Better _____ Worse _____ Same _____ D.K. _____ N.A. _____

(b) Does it matter much to you whether the management keeps you informed or not?

Yes _____ No _____ D.K. _____

53. About how often do you talk to these people in Winfield?

	Once a week <u>or more</u>	1-3 times a month	Less Often	Never	D.K.
Cashier	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Mayor	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Manager	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Maintenance man (plumber, etc.)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Your block leader	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Community activities adviser (Miss Zucker)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

(INTERVIEWER: Put "Don't know him" under Never)

54. After Winfield was built, do you think the government housing people in Washington did a great deal to help Winfield, nothing to help, or just interfered?

did a great deal did nothing just interfered

55. Do you meet more or fewer people of different nationalities or religions here than you did in the place where you lived just before coming here?
More: Do you personally like this or not?
Fewer: Like
 Dislike
 No difference

Same

D.K.

56. Have you had any experiences which have changed your mind about how the different nationalities and religions can get along?

Yes: In what way have these experiences changed your mind?

No

D.K.

57. Which of these things is generally true of most housing projects?

	Have	Have	Don't Have	D.K.
Lots of open space	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Little or no privacy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Well-built dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
For poorer people	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Too much interference by management	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Multiple dwellings	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

59. On the whole, which of these best describes how you feel about Winfield?
(INTERVIEWER: Show card)

- It's just a place to live, and not very good at that
 It's just a place to live, about as good as the average place I've lived before
 I like it here somewhat better than where I lived before, but I won't be too sorry whenever I leave Winfield
 Winfield is one of the best places I've ever lived and I'd like to stay here indefinitely
 Winfield is really more than just a place to live -- it gives people like me a chance to run their own affairs.

60. Have you ever heard anything about what people in Cranford or Linden have said about Winfield?

Yes: (a) On the whole, was it favorable or unfavorable to Winfield?
 Favorable Unfavorable D.K.

No (b) Do you think these stories made Winfielders feel any differently about Winfield?

Yes: In what way? (INTERVIEWER: get direction of change; self-references; and vivid stories)

No
 D.K.

61. (a) To which of these groups do you feel you belong -- the white-collar class, the working class, or some other class?

white-collar class working-class other (specify)

(b) Do you think that more or fewer people in Winfield belong to the working-class than in the place where you lived before coming here?

More Fewer About the same D.K.

(c) Would you like to have more white-collar people living in Winfield?
 Yes No Doesn't matter D.K.

62. Which members of your family here in Winfield have been employed during most of the war period:

Husband wife Other (specify)

(INTERVIEWER: The following questions should refer to husband. If they do not apply to him, specify the person to whom they do refer: _____)

(a) What is your (his) occupation now? (If unemployed: latest occupation)

Job: _____

Industry: _____

Specific place of work: _____

(b) What was your (his) usual occupation before the war?

Job: _____ Industry: _____

(c) How many different jobs did you (did your husband) have in the last 4 years?

(d) How many different jobs did you (he) have in the four years before that?

63. (a) What are the chances for a man in your (your husband's) particular occupation to get ahead if he really sets his mind to it?

Good Fair Poor Hard to say

(b) How about the place where you (he) works now, what are your (his) chances for getting ahead there?

Good Fair Poor Hard to say

64. Do you (your husband) belong to any trade union or labor union?

Yes No D.K.

65. Since coming to Winfield, how much have you been keeping up with what Congress is doing?

Quite a bit Somewhat Not at all D.K.

66. For the purpose of our survey, we need to have a rough indication of the income of your family. Would you mind telling me in which of these classes it falls?

<input type="checkbox"/> Below \$1000 a year	<input type="checkbox"/> From \$3000 to \$4000
<input type="checkbox"/> From \$1000 to \$2000	<input type="checkbox"/> From \$4000 to \$5000
<input type="checkbox"/> From \$2000 to \$3000	<input type="checkbox"/> Over \$5000 a year

67. Here in Winfield, do you favor the Republican party, the Democratic party, the Independent party, or something else?

<input type="checkbox"/> Republican	<input type="checkbox"/> Independent
<input type="checkbox"/> Democrat	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)

68. Age of Respondent Age of Spouse

<input type="checkbox"/>	15 - 19
<input type="checkbox"/>	20 - 24
<input type="checkbox"/>	25 - 29
<input type="checkbox"/>	30 - 34
<input type="checkbox"/>	35 - 39
<input type="checkbox"/>	40 - 44
<input type="checkbox"/>	45 - 54
<input type="checkbox"/>	55 - 64
<input type="checkbox"/>	65 & over

69. Sex:

Male
 Female

70. Education

No school	<input type="checkbox"/>	Some college	<input type="checkbox"/>
Some grade school	<input type="checkbox"/>	College grad	<input type="checkbox"/>
Grammar school grad	<input type="checkbox"/>	Trade school	<input type="checkbox"/>
Some high school	<input type="checkbox"/>	Business school	<input type="checkbox"/>
High school grad	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>

71. Would you mind telling me the religion of yourself and your wife (husband)?

Husband	<input type="checkbox"/> Protestant
	<input type="checkbox"/> Catholic
	<input type="checkbox"/> Jewish
	<input type="checkbox"/> None
	<input type="checkbox"/> Refused

Wife

72. Marital Status:	Married	<input type="checkbox"/>	Separated	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Single	<input type="checkbox"/>	Divorced	<input type="checkbox"/>
	Widowed	<input type="checkbox"/>	No answer	<input type="checkbox"/>

-73. What was your birthplace?

U.S.: What is your nationality? (Get descent) _____

Other (specify) _____

How about your wife (husband) -- what was her (his) birthplace?

U.S.: What is her (his) nationality? _____

Other (specify) _____

74. (a) About how many books do you read in an average month?

Four or more One

Two or three None

(b) What magazines do you read more or less regularly?

None D.K.

Titles:

75. The interview is over now, and you probably have a general idea about the study. Do you think that it's a good thing to do a study like this or not?

Good Not good Indifferent D.K.

I'd really like your frank opinion -- how did you like being interviewed all this time?

Liked it a lot Liked it all right Didn't like it

No opinion D.K.

(INTERVIEWER: Record comment)

76. INTERVIEWER: Rate cooperation of respondent

Highly cooperative; interested Polite, not enthusiastic

Uncooperative; disinterested

77. INTERVIEWER: Rate living room on following scale. (One check under each major category)

(A) Cleanliness of room and furnishings (B) Orderliness of room and furnishings

Spotted or stained

Articles strewn about in disorder

Dusty

Articles in place or

Spotless and dustless

in usable order

(C) Condition of repair of articles and furnishings (D) General impression of good taste

Broken, scratched, frayed,
ripped or torn

Bizarre, clashing, inharmonious,
or offensive

Articles or furnishings
patched up

Drab, monotonous, neutral,
inoffensive

Articles or furnishings in
good repair and well kept

Attractive in a positive way, har-
monious, quiet and restful

Name of respondent: _____

Address of respondent: _____

Date of interview: _____ Duration of interview: _____

Place of interview: _____ Interviewer: _____