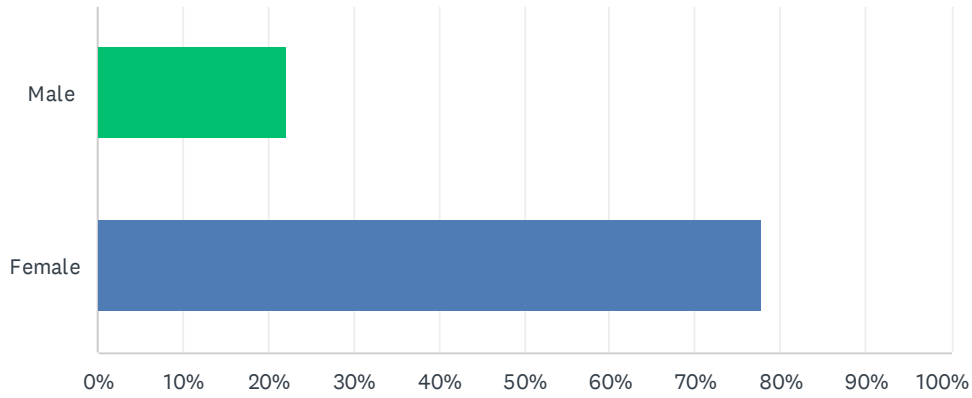


Q1 DEMOGRAPHICS: Please provide the response that best describes you.

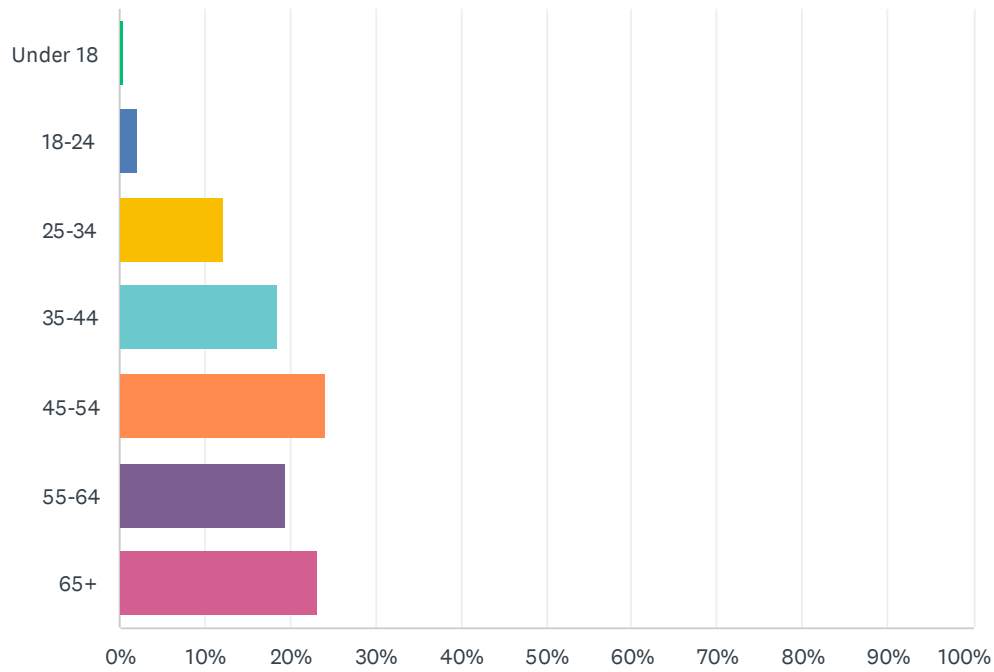
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Male	22.09%	110
Female	77.91%	388
TOTAL		498

Q2 Age

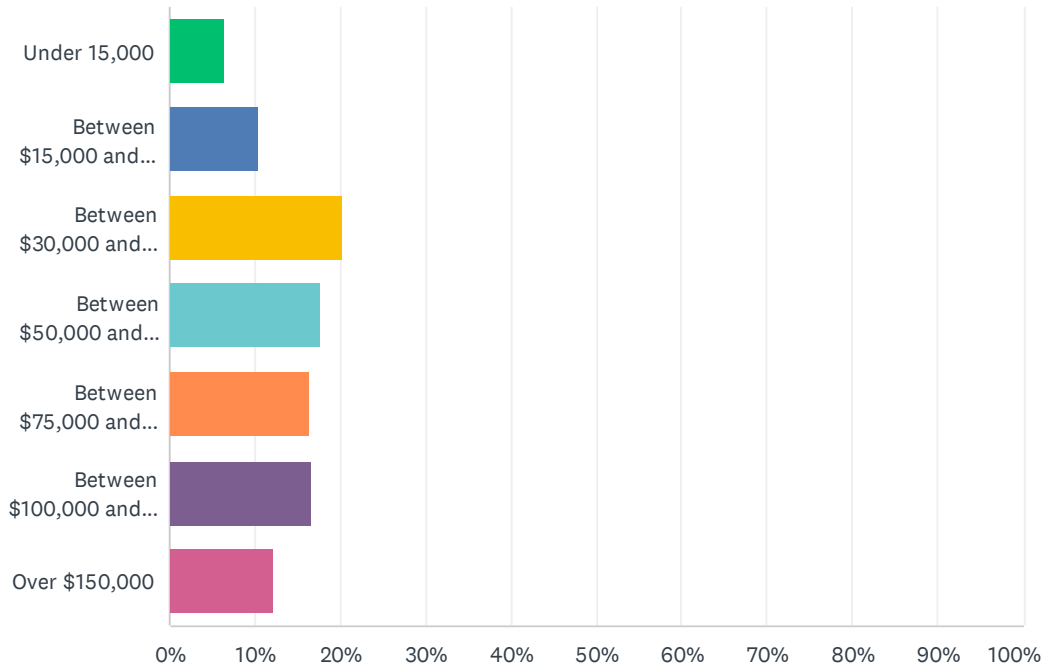
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 18	0.40%	2
18-24	2.21%	11
25-34	12.05%	60
35-44	18.47%	92
45-54	24.10%	120
55-64	19.48%	97
65+	23.29%	116
TOTAL		498

Q3 Income

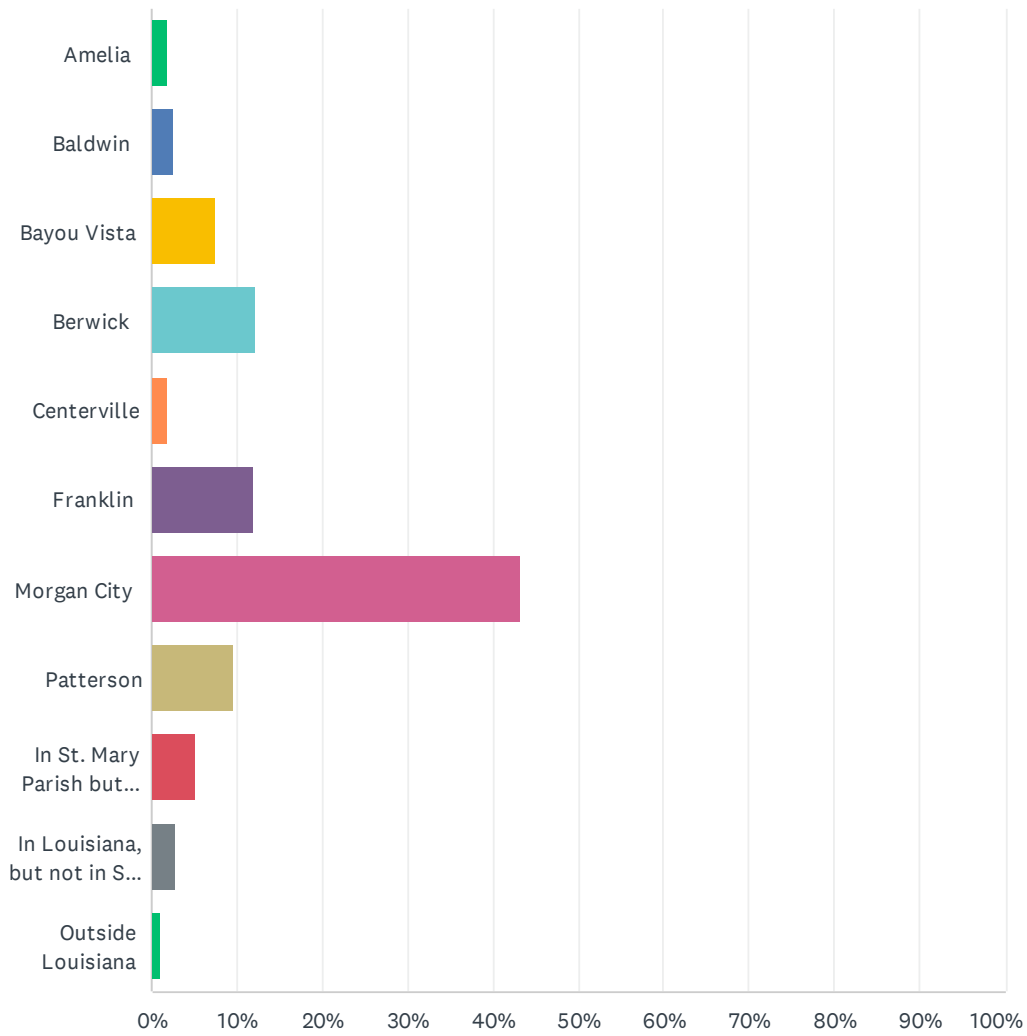
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Under 15,000	6.43%	32
Between \$15,000 and \$29,999	10.44%	52
Between \$30,000 and \$49,999	20.28%	101
Between \$50,000 and \$74,999	17.67%	88
Between \$75,000 and \$99,999	16.47%	82
Between \$100,000 and \$150,000	16.67%	83
Over \$150,000	12.05%	60
TOTAL		498

Q4 Place that you live

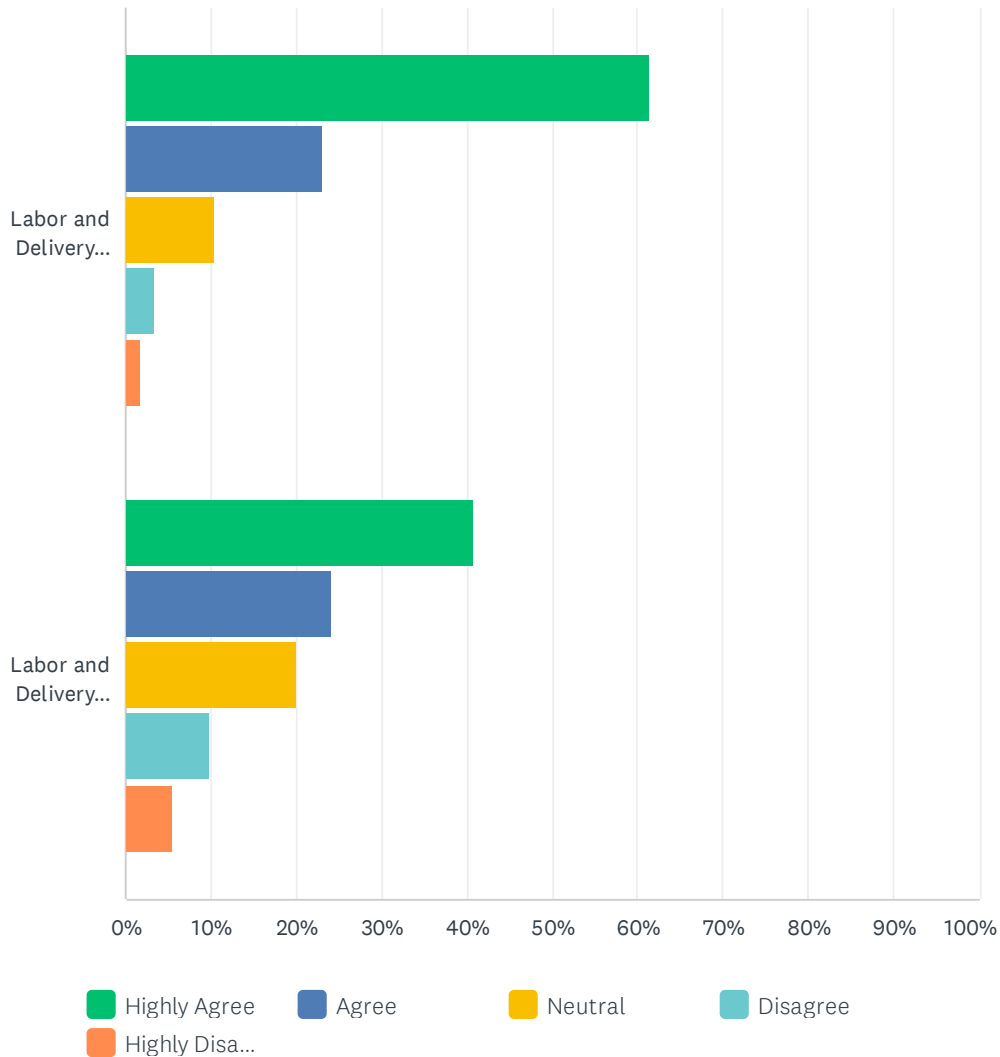
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Amelia	2.01%	10
Baldwin	2.61%	13
Bayou Vista	7.43%	37
Berwick	12.25%	61
Centerville	2.01%	10
Franklin	11.85%	59
Morgan City	43.37%	216
Patterson	9.64%	48
In St. Mary Parish but other than the town/city/area listed above	5.02%	25
In Louisiana, but not in St. Mary Parish	2.81%	14
Outside Louisiana	1.00%	5
TOTAL		498

Q5 MEDICAL SERVICES OF COMMUNITY: Indicate the strength of your opinion in offering Labor and Delivery Services at Ochsner St. Mary Hospital.

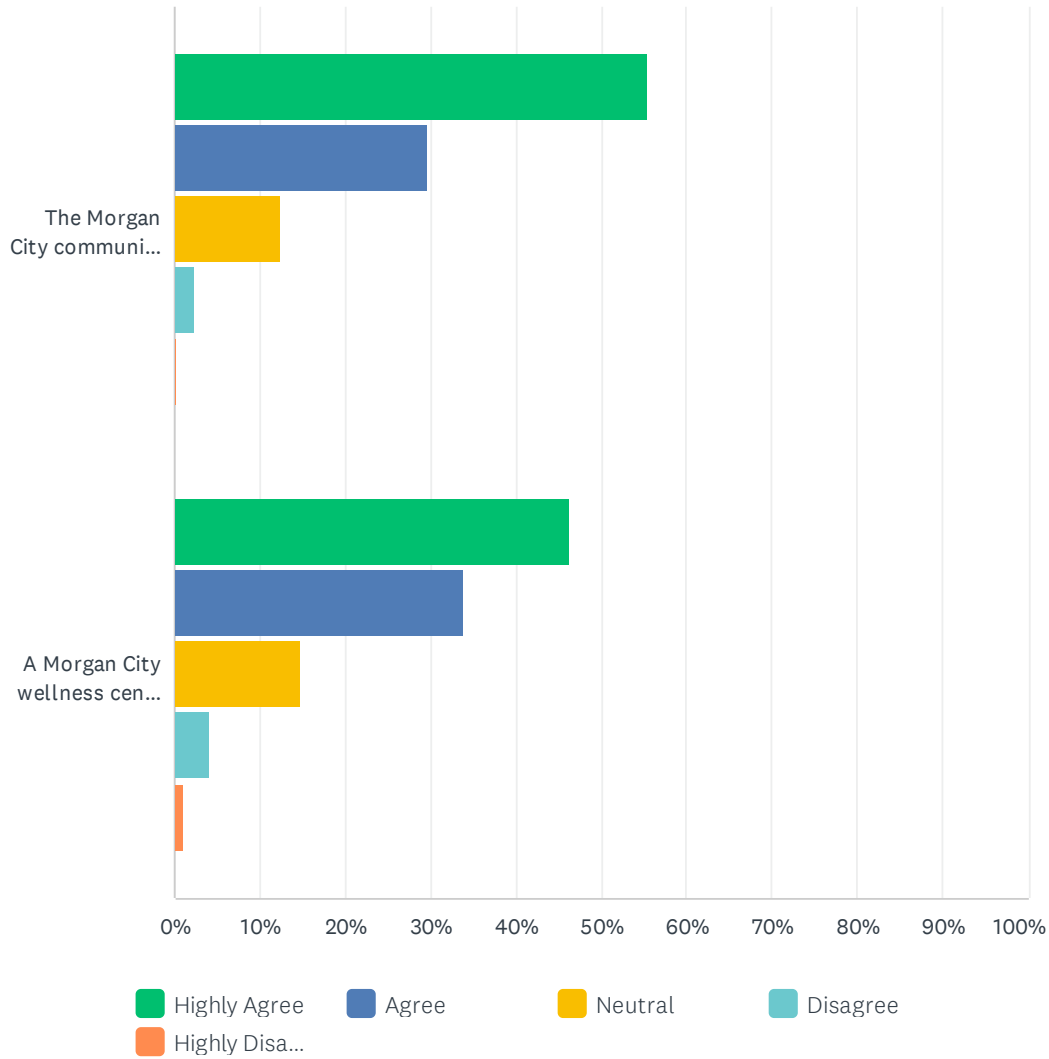
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	HIGHLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	HIGHLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Labor and Delivery services are a must at Ochsner St. Mary.	61.49% 214	22.99% 80	10.34% 36	3.45% 12	1.72% 6	348	1.61
Labor and Delivery services within Ochsner St. Mary would attract young people to live and work here.	40.69% 142	24.07% 84	20.06% 70	9.74% 34	5.44% 19	349	2.15

Q6 WELLNESS: Indicate your level of Agreement with a wellness center in partnership with a health provider in Morgan City.

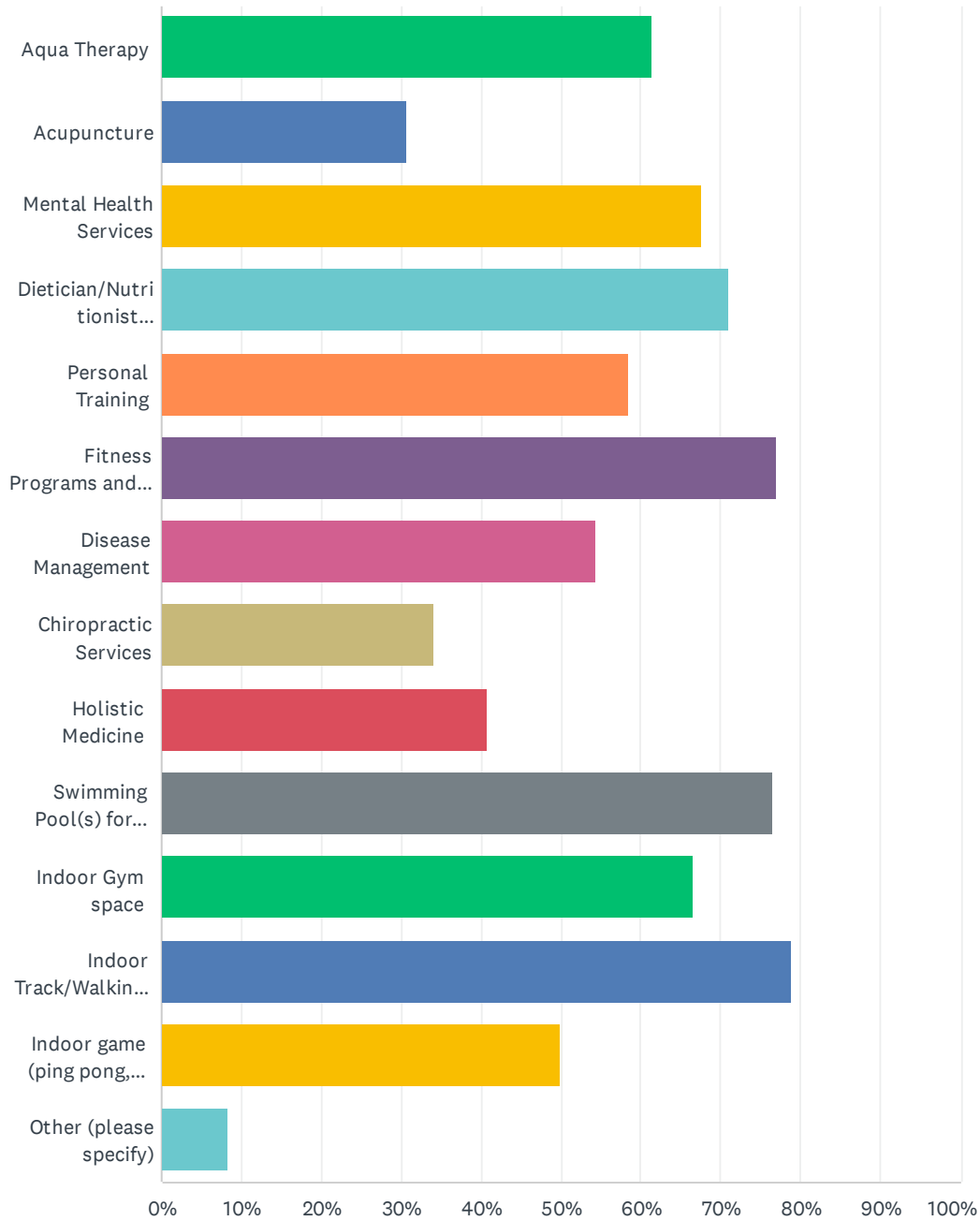
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	HIGHLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	HIGHLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
The Morgan City community needs a wellness center.	55.33% 192	29.68% 103	12.39% 43	2.31% 8	0.29% 1	347	1.63
A Morgan City wellness center would increase property values and the quality of life in the eastern part of St. Mary Parish.	46.26% 161	33.91% 118	14.66% 51	4.02% 14	1.15% 4	348	1.80

Q7 I would include the following in a Wellness Center in Morgan City. Check all that you would include.

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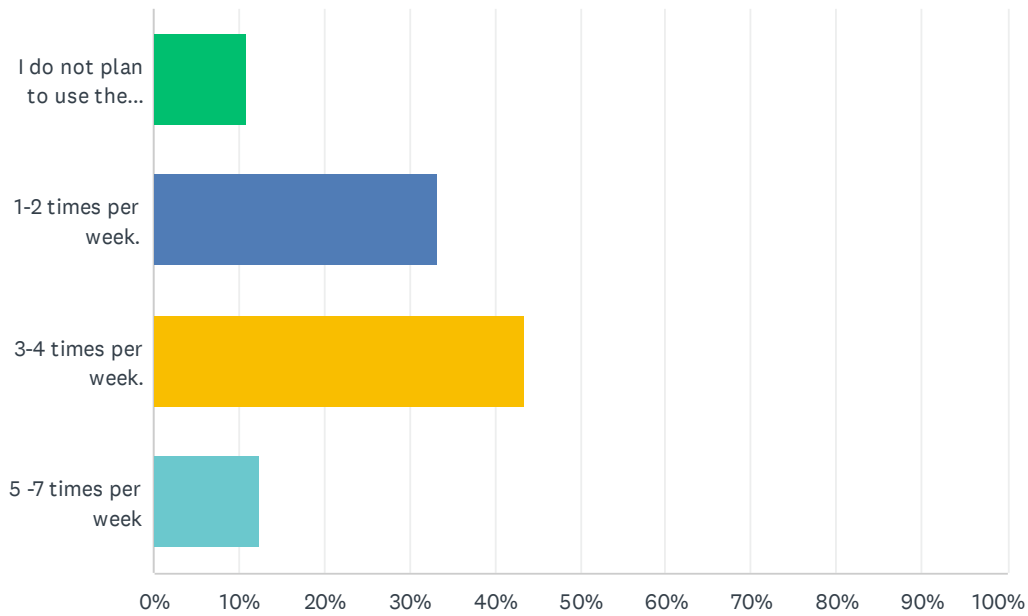
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Aqua Therapy	61.32% 214
Acupuncture	30.66% 107
Mental Health Services	67.62% 236
Dietician/Nutritionist Services	71.06% 248
Personal Training	58.45% 204
Fitness Programs and Classes	77.08% 269
Disease Management	54.44% 190
Chiropractic Services	34.10% 119
Holistic Medicine	40.69% 142
Swimming Pool(s) for Persons of All Ages with year round accessibility for swim lessons, swim team use, and public swim.	76.50% 267
Indoor Gym space	66.48% 232
Indoor Track/Walking space	78.80% 275
Indoor game (ping pong, chess/ checkers, video games, etc.) play space	49.86% 174
Other (please specify)	8.31% 29
Total Respondents: 349	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Childcare	11/9/2023 4:33 PM
2	Don't agree with partnership with a health provider	11/8/2023 11:54 AM
3	Affordable healthy food cafe/restaurant & private work spaces with Wi-Fi.	11/7/2023 9:40 PM
4	A youth program for older teens like jujitsu or boxing.	11/7/2023 12:06 PM
5	Massage Therapy	11/7/2023 11:10 AM
6	Preventative Care in all areas. Proactive	11/6/2023 10:25 PM
7	Pickleball courts	11/5/2023 7:18 PM
8	Pickle ball	11/5/2023 3:37 PM
9	?	11/5/2023 1:52 PM
10	Child care	11/5/2023 12:18 PM
11	All of the above	11/5/2023 12:15 PM
12	Tennis	11/5/2023 8:31 AM
13	I would build it with a view of Lake Palourde or on the lake. Bring nature into the wellness center.	11/4/2023 1:26 PM
14	Wellness center isnt coming bc lee dragna expected oschner to pay for it. Stop with the fantasy	11/3/2023 12:23 PM
15	Physical therapy and Pediatric physical therapy autism, and behavioral programs	11/3/2023 12:15 PM
16	Outdoor track	10/27/2023 3:06 PM
17	Pool with slides for older kids	10/24/2023 12:18 PM

18	None	10/23/2023 5:32 AM
19	IV therapy	10/22/2023 11:03 PM
20	None	10/21/2023 8:37 AM
21	Spa .. massages, facials, pedicures, manicures	10/20/2023 11:49 PM
22	Physical therapy, cardiac rehab	10/20/2023 5:34 PM
23	Yoga studio Tai chi	10/20/2023 1:12 PM
24	All	10/20/2023 10:17 AM
25	Healthy food options	10/19/2023 9:21 PM
26	I'm only for it if there is a place for the young to go. We need a strong recreational program for our youth based on life time sports.	10/19/2023 8:00 PM
27	Refreshment center	10/19/2023 7:55 PM
28	Pickle ball, child care	10/19/2023 6:46 PM
29	Health and Longevity Classes	10/18/2023 6:00 PM

Q8 Indicate how often you would use the Wellness Center in Morgan City.

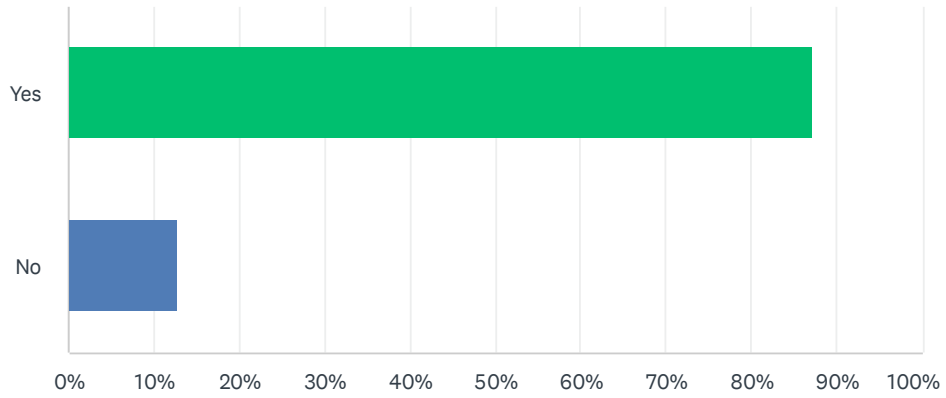
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
I do not plan to use the facility.	10.89%	38
1-2 times per week.	33.24%	116
3-4 times per week.	43.55%	152
5 -7 times per week	12.32%	43
TOTAL		349

Q9 Do you own a St. Mary Parish home?

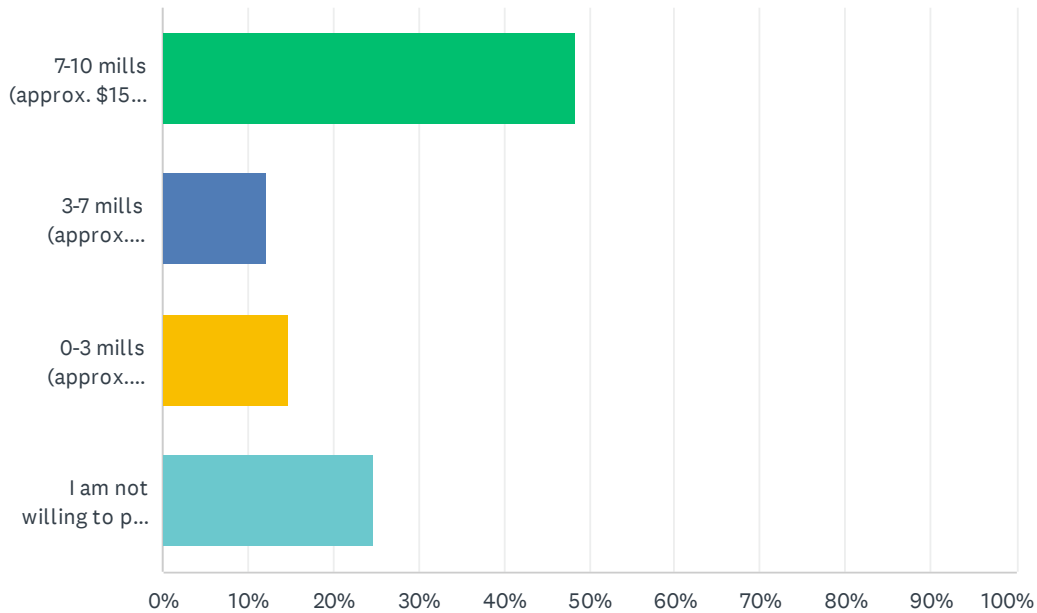
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	87.11%	304
No	12.89%	45
TOTAL		349

Q10 Indicate the HIGHEST level you are willing to pay for a property millage to support Labor and Delivery Services AND a Wellness Center at Ochsner St. Mary.

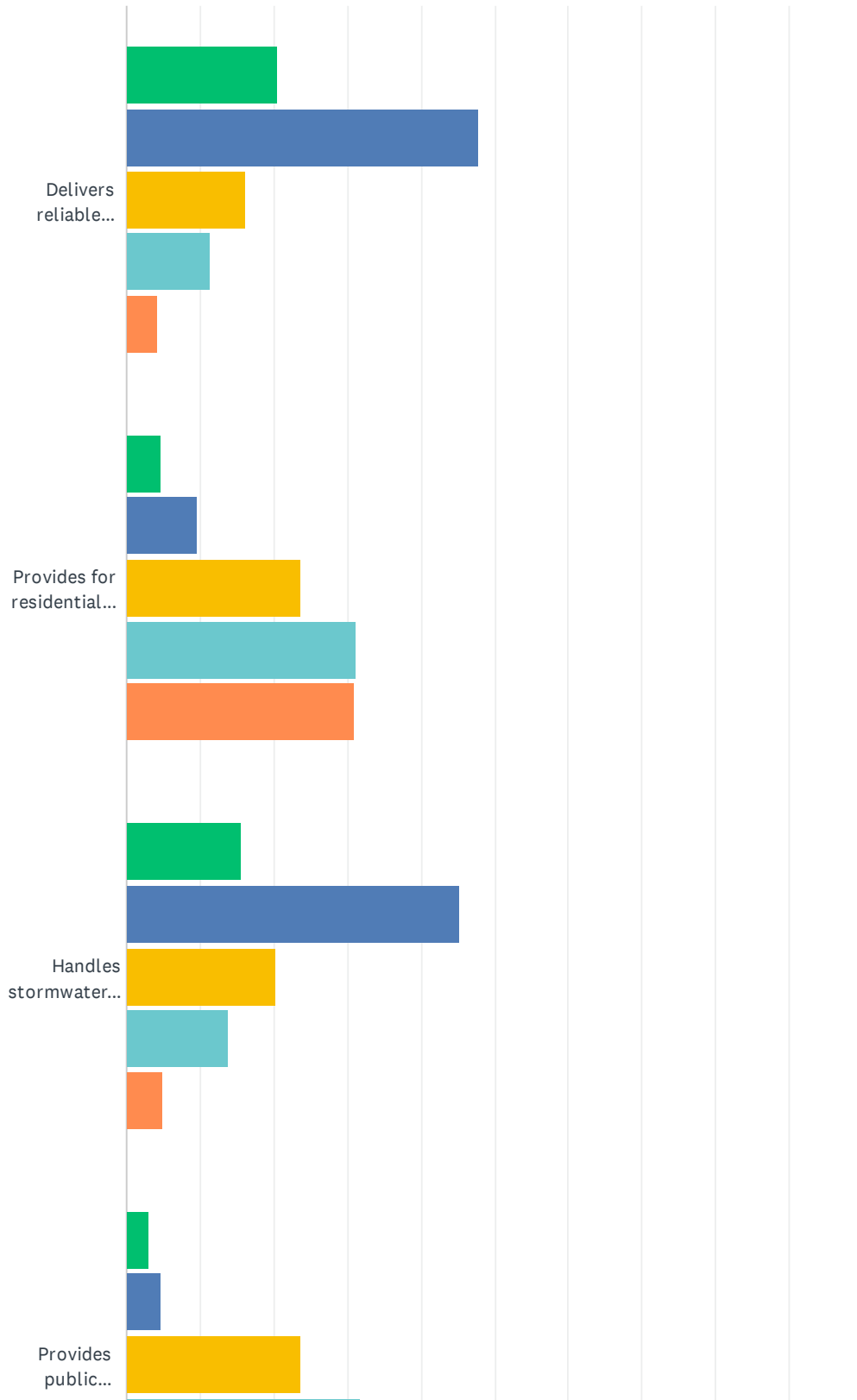
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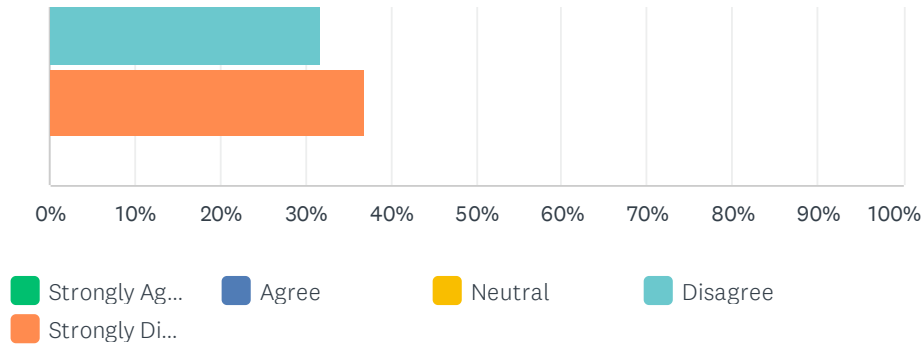


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
7-10 mills (approx. \$15 -\$25 on a \$100,000 assessed home) THE RECOMMENDED MILLAGE NEEDED	48.43%	139
3-7 mills (approx. \$15/year on a \$100,000 assessed home)	12.20%	35
0-3 mills (approx. \$10/year on a \$100,000 assessed home)	14.63%	42
I am not willing to pay a millage for Labor and Delivery Services and a Wellness Center.	24.74%	71
TOTAL		287

Q11 INFRASTRUCTURE: Rate your level of Agreement with the statements about your community. My community:

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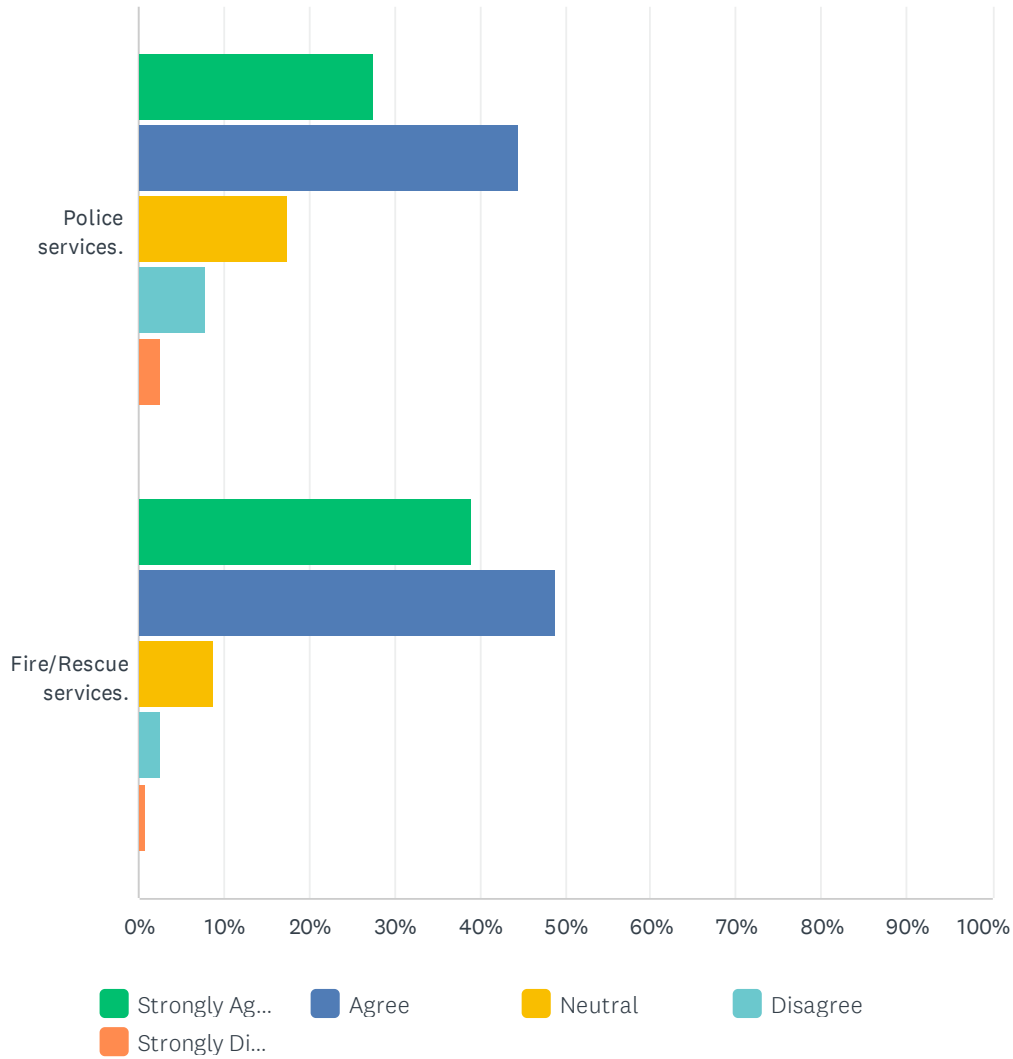




	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Delivers reliable electricity, water, sewer, and garbage services.	20.50% 91	47.75% 212	16.22% 72	11.26% 50	4.28% 19	444	2.31
Provides for residential recycling.	4.73% 21	9.68% 43	23.65% 105	31.08% 138	30.86% 137	444	3.74
Handles stormwater drainage and water needs.	15.54% 69	45.27% 201	20.27% 90	13.96% 62	4.95% 22	444	2.48
Provides public transportation services.	2.93% 13	4.73% 21	23.65% 105	31.76% 141	36.94% 164	444	3.95

Q12 SAFETY: Indicate your level of Agreement with the statements. My community provides quality:

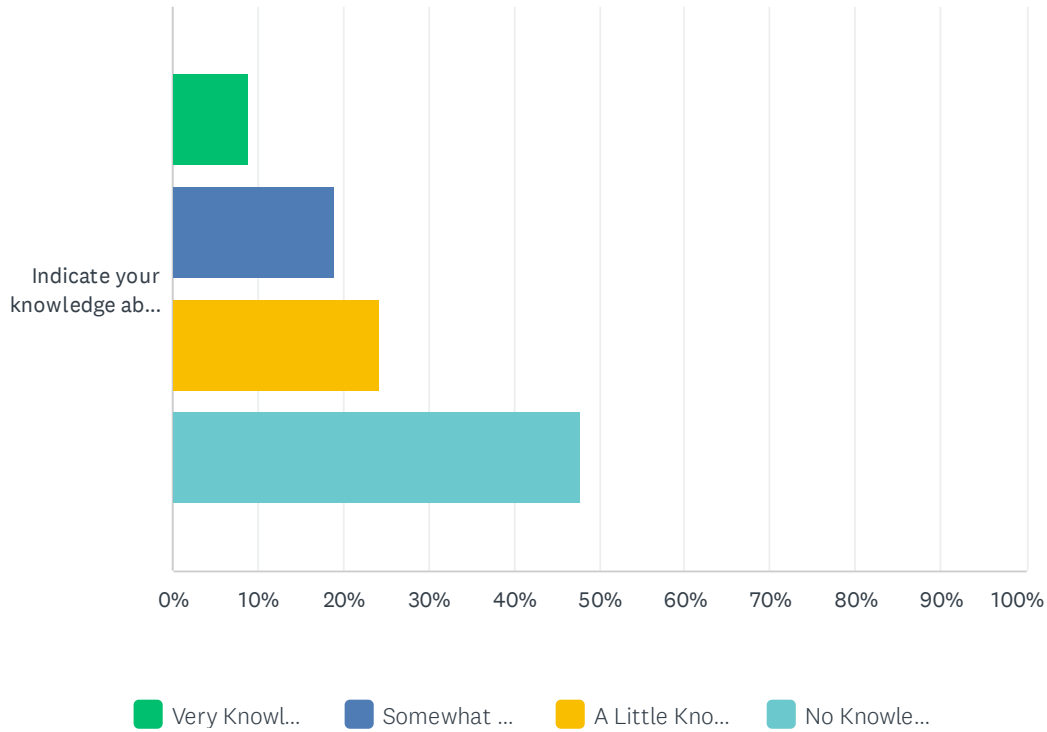
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	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Police services.	27.48% 122	44.59% 198	17.57% 78	7.88% 35	2.48% 11	444	2.13
Fire/Rescue services.	38.96% 173	48.87% 217	8.78% 39	2.48% 11	0.90% 4	444	1.77

Q13 ATCHAFALAYA NATIONAL ESTUARINE RESEARCH RESERVE (ANERR) DESIGNATION

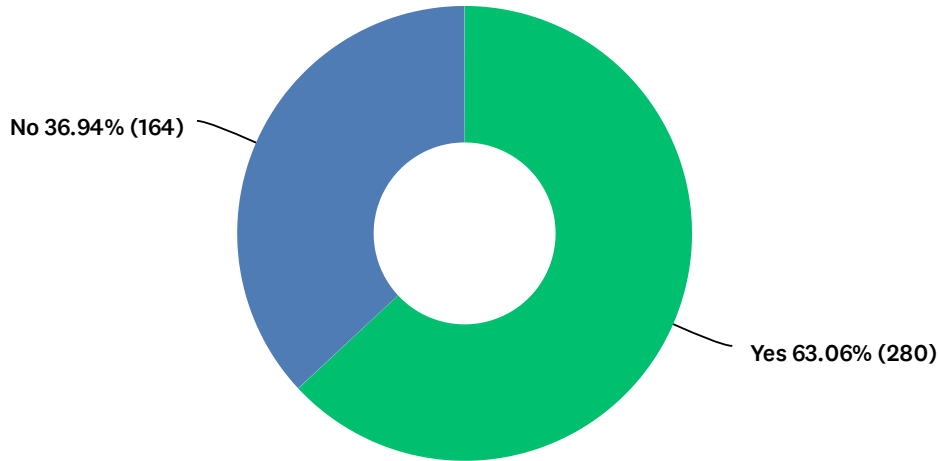
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	VERY KNOWLEDGEABLE	SOMEWHAT KNOWLEDGEABLE	A LITTLE KNOWLEDGE	NO KNOWLEDGE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Indicate your knowledge about the new ANERR designation in our area.	9.01% 40	18.92% 84	24.32% 108	47.75% 212	444	3.11

Q14 Do you plan to participate in activities related to learning and experiencing more about the Atchafalaya River/Basin/Delta?

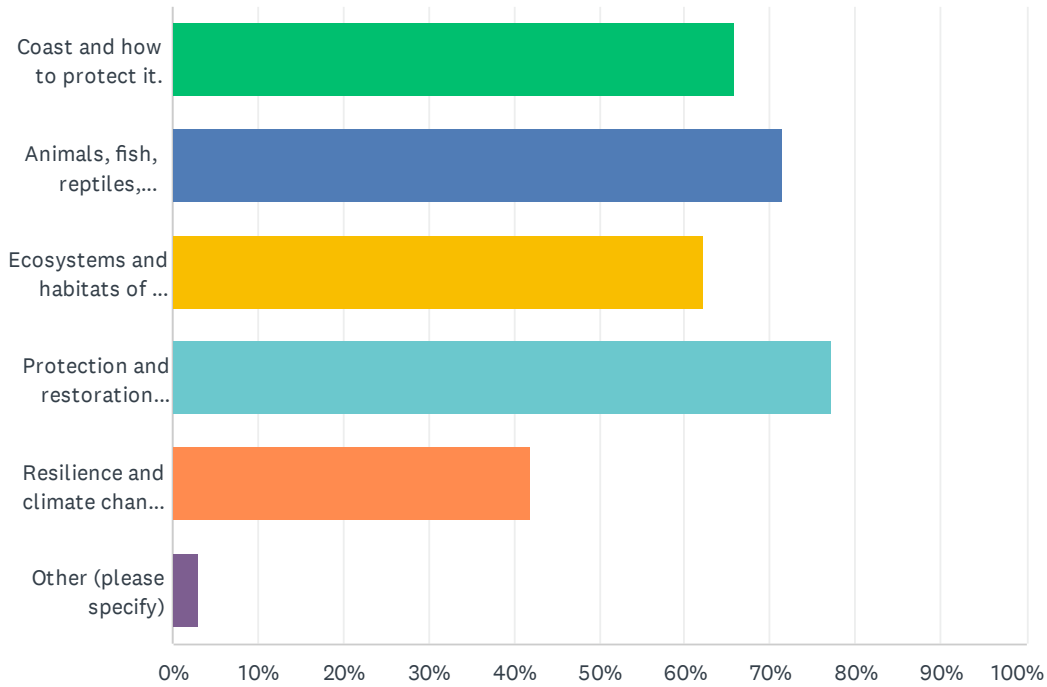
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	63.06%	280
No	36.94%	164
TOTAL		444

Q15 Reserve activities that I am interested in learning about include the:

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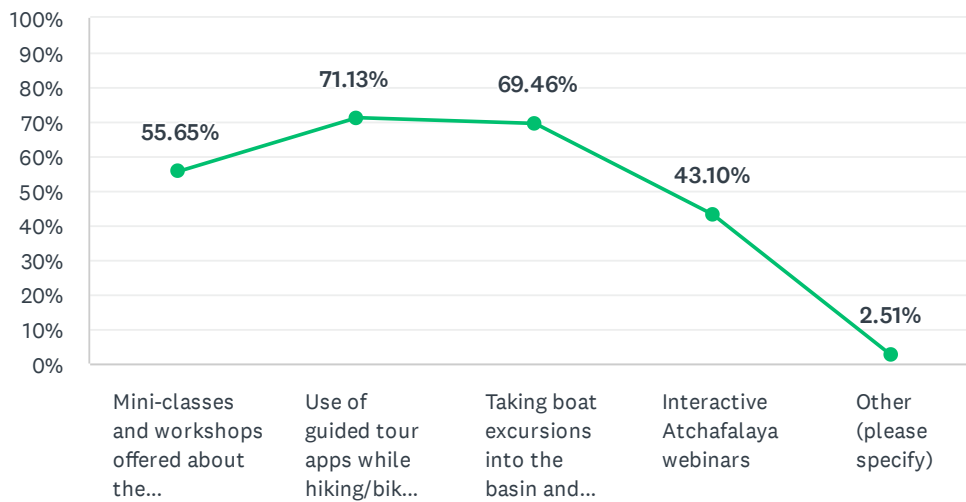


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Coast and how to protect it.	65.98%	159
Animals, fish, reptiles, birds, and others of the Atchafalaya habitat.	71.37%	172
Ecosystems and habitats of the Atchafalaya.	62.24%	150
Protection and restoration projects to protect the Atchafalaya.	77.18%	186
Resilience and climate change needs.	41.91%	101
Other (please specify)	2.90%	7
Total Respondents: 241		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	Na	11/7/2023 7:06 AM
2	Hydrology health	11/6/2023 7:13 AM
3	Safe town, activities for kids, more jobs	11/5/2023 10:58 PM
4	Children education opportunities	11/3/2023 8:08 PM
5	Eco-Tourism	11/2/2023 10:44 AM
6	Aquatourism	10/26/2023 9:46 AM
7	Connecting students with these experiences.	10/21/2023 9:48 AM

Q16 Select all the ways that you would like to learn about the Atchafalaya.

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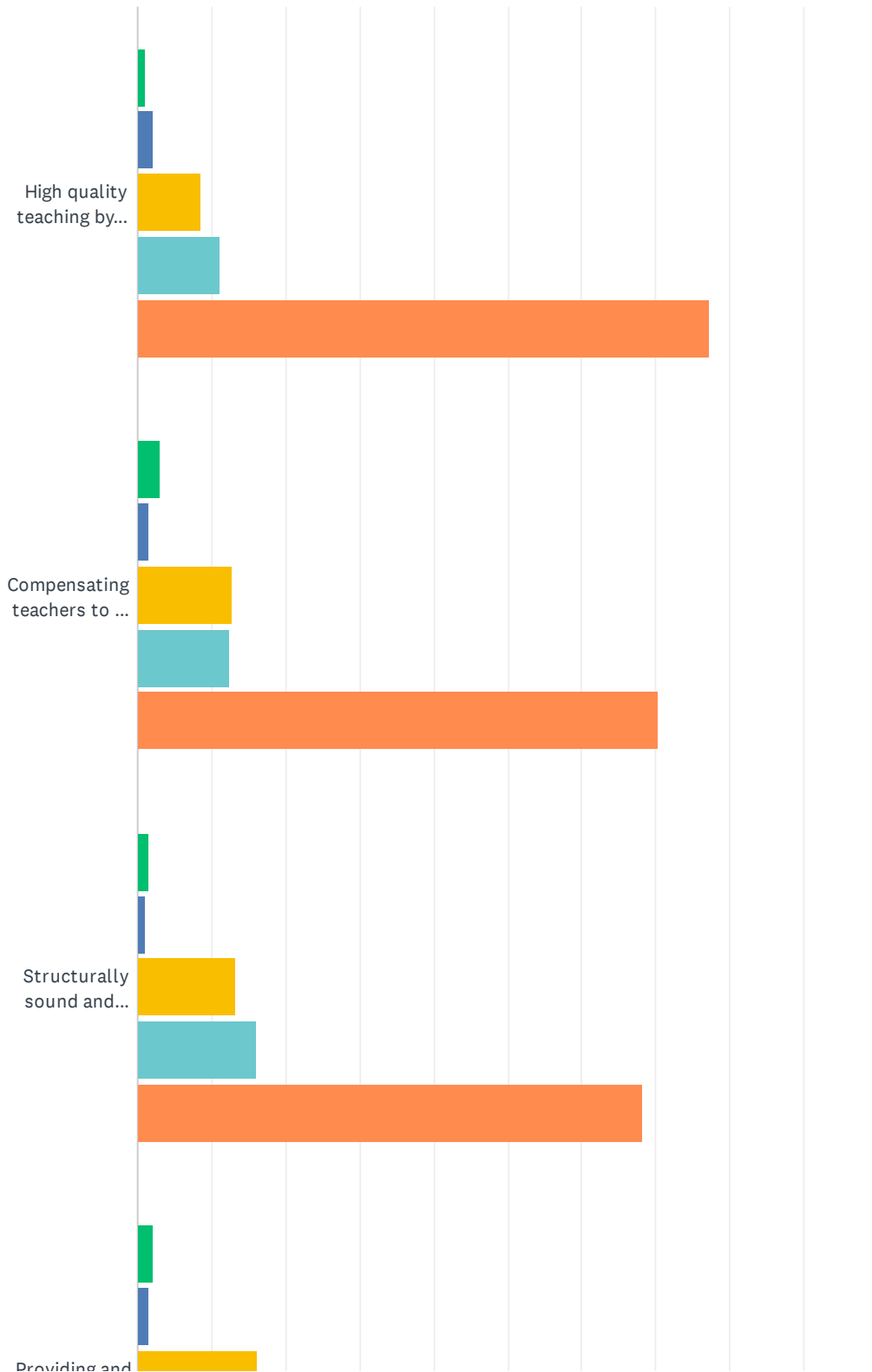


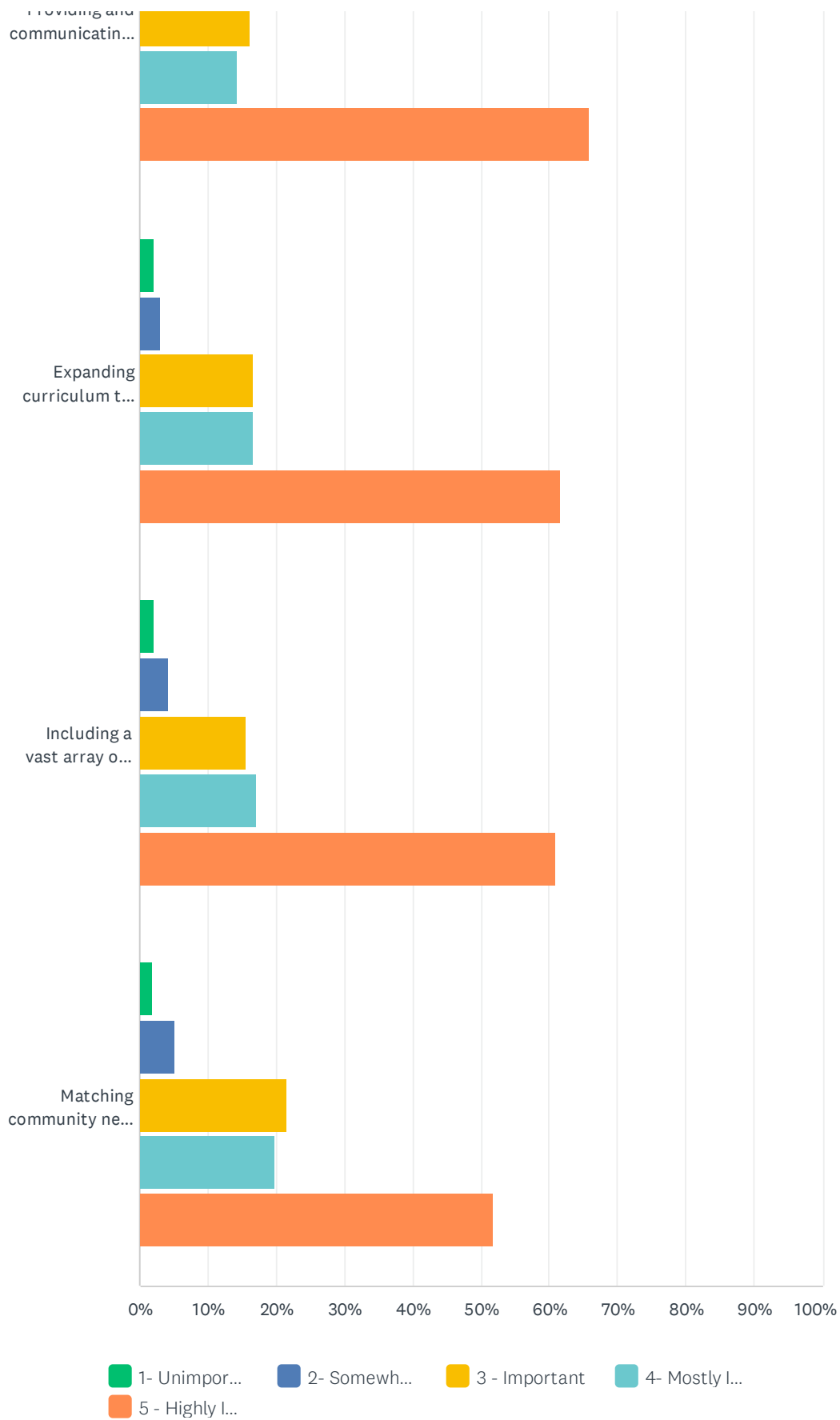
ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mini-classes and workshops offered about the Atchafalaya	55.65%	133
Use of guided tour apps while hiking/biking/kayaking in the Atchafalaya	71.13%	170
Taking boat excursions into the basin and delta	69.46%	166
Interactive Atchafalaya webinars	43.10%	103
Other (please specify)	2.51%	6
Total Respondents: 239		

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	physical walking paths, animal bird watching	11/8/2023 6:36 PM
2	An actual tour guide doing tours	11/7/2023 1:58 PM
3	Books for children teaching about it	11/7/2023 12:18 PM
4	Na	11/7/2023 7:06 AM
5	Website	11/6/2023 1:46 PM
6	This could be incorporated into the wellness center	11/4/2023 1:36 PM

Q17 EDUCATION: On a scale of 1 (Unimportant) to 5 (Highly Important), rate each factor for providing high quality PK-12 education school experiences for students of the area.

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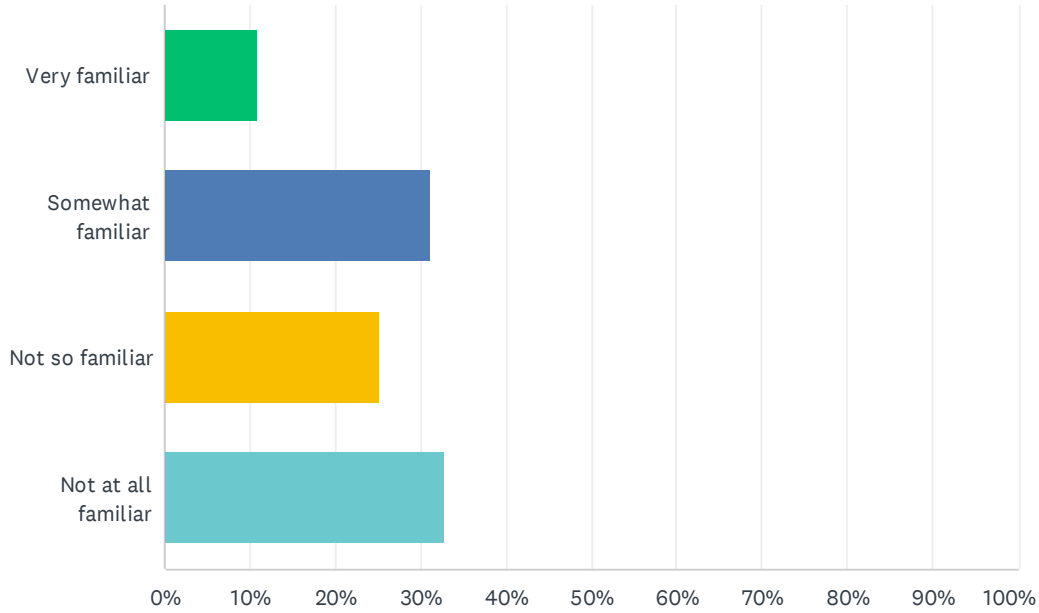




	1- UNIMPORTANT	2- SOMEWHAT IMPORTANT	3 - IMPORTANT	4- MOSTLY IMPORTANT	5 - HIGHLY IMPORTANT	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
High quality teaching by certified teachers	1.06% 4	2.12% 8	8.49% 32	11.14% 42	77.19% 291	377	4.61
Compensating teachers to the level of the top five districts in the state	2.92% 11	1.59% 6	12.73% 48	12.47% 47	70.29% 265	377	4.46
Structurally sound and well-maintained school facilities	1.59% 6	1.06% 4	13.26% 50	15.92% 60	68.17% 257	377	4.48
Providing and communicating a strategic plan to drive the district to higher levels of academic excellence	2.12% 8	1.59% 6	16.18% 61	14.32% 54	65.78% 248	377	4.40
Expanding curriculum to include the arts and expansion of offerings in core subjects.	2.12% 8	2.92% 11	16.71% 63	16.71% 63	61.54% 232	377	4.33
Including a vast array of extracurriculars (student council, newspaper, key club, science club, theatre, etc.) to engage student interest beyond competitive sports of football, basketball, etc.	2.12% 8	4.24% 16	15.65% 59	16.98% 64	61.01% 230	377	4.31
Matching community need (ex. guest home visits, food drives, community clean-ups, etc.)with students' service opportunities.	1.86% 7	5.04% 19	21.49% 81	19.89% 75	51.72% 195	377	4.15

Q18 How familiar are you with the St. Mary Parish School Board's desegregation case?

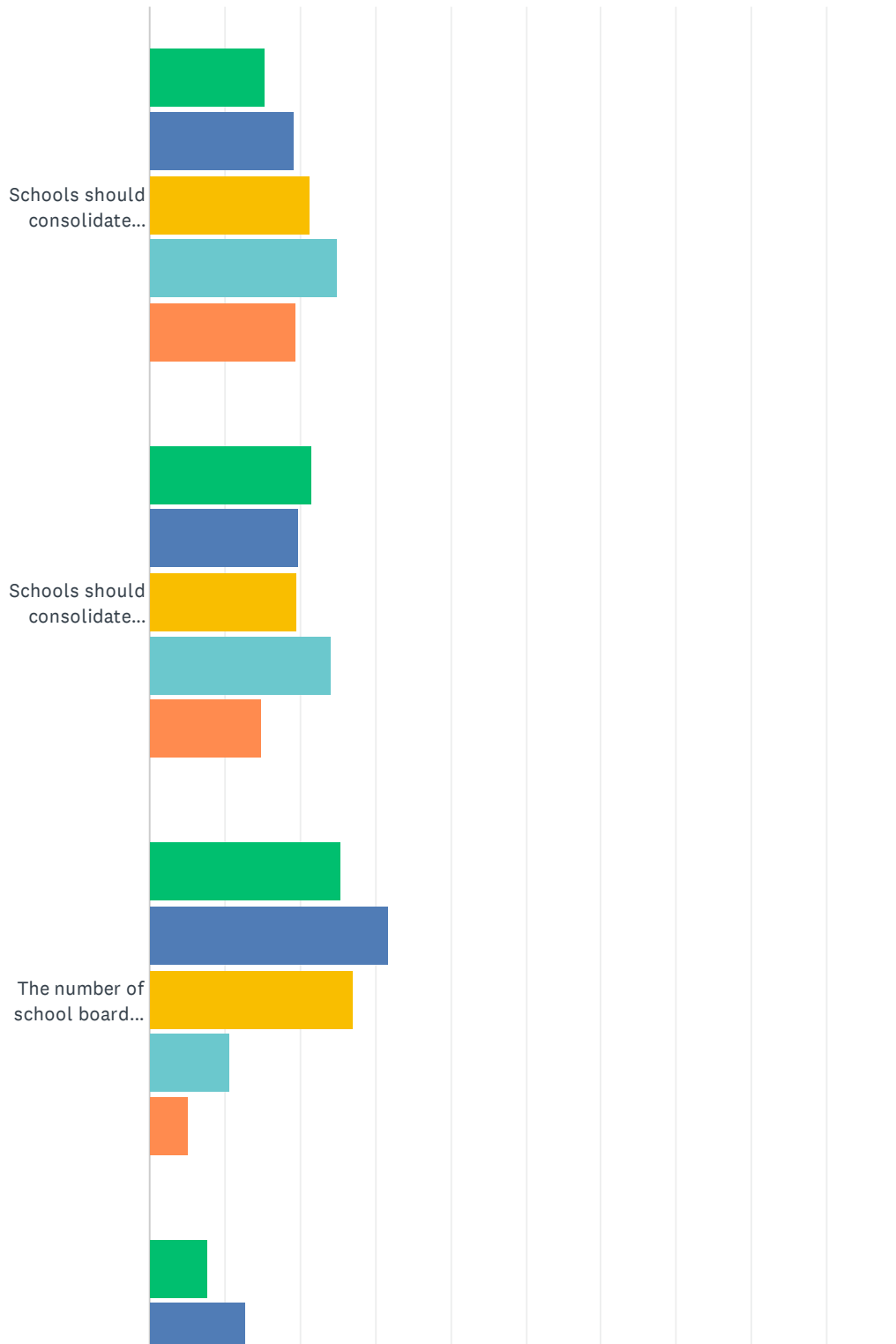
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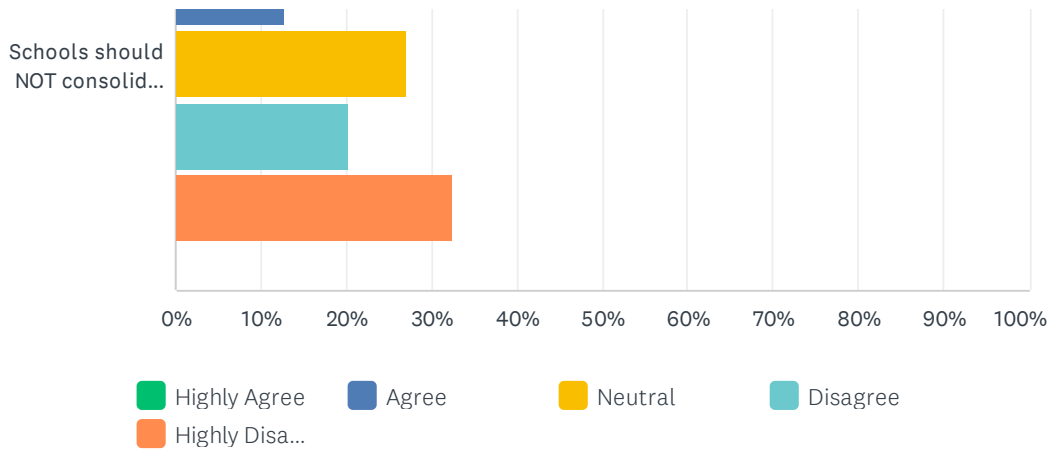


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Very familiar	10.88%	41
Somewhat familiar	31.03%	117
Not so familiar	25.20%	95
Not at all familiar	32.89%	124
TOTAL		377

Q19 SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION: Recognizing that there has been a 1,500 student enrollment decline in St. Mary Parish since the last school closure, indicate the strength of your opinion on consolidating schools to improve efficiency and resource allocation.

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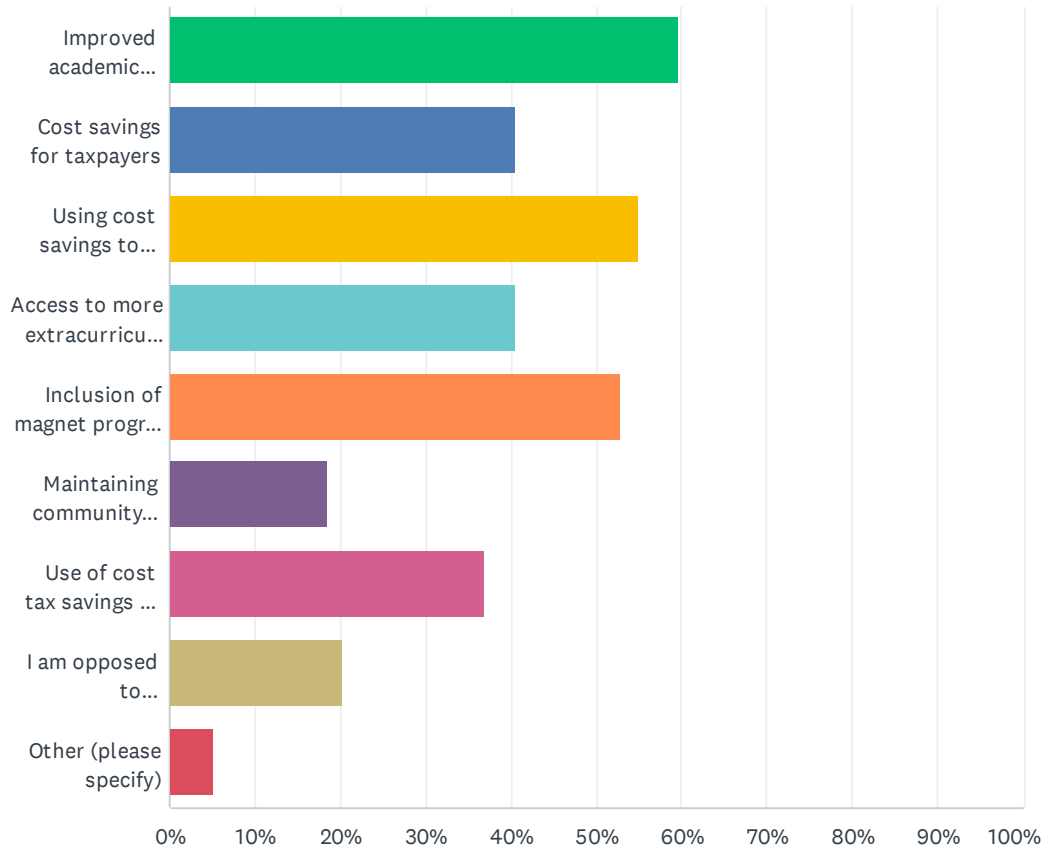
	HIGHLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	HIGHLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Schools should consolidate within communities. (Ex. A high school and a junior high school are placed on the same campus)	15.38% 58	19.10% 72	21.22% 80	24.93% 94	19.36% 73	377	3.14
Schools should consolidate across communities that are near each other. (Ex. Two high schools consolidated together across two different towns/cities)	21.49% 81	19.89% 75	19.63% 74	24.14% 91	14.85% 56	377	2.91
The number of school board members should be adjusted with declining parish population and declining student enrollment.	25.46% 96	31.83% 120	27.06% 102	10.61% 40	5.04% 19	377	2.38
Schools should NOT consolidate and I am ready to be taxed to keep small schools open.	7.69% 29	12.73% 48	27.06% 102	20.16% 76	32.36% 122	377	3.57

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I'm one of the parents who RAN from our school system, so I won't be supporting any new taxes.	11/9/2023 5:36 PM
2	It's not the "School Board" it's the "central office"....dead weight and consuming a greater and greater share of the education dollar, for public education to survive it needs to be drastically reduced	11/8/2023 6:36 PM
3	Too many people at school board	11/8/2023 5:56 PM
4	The time is now to consolidate and increase the offerings for students and focus funds on providing fully certified teachers that are supported with school system provided instructional materials and supplies!	11/8/2023 5:34 PM
5	Restructure small schools to accommodate for the numbers. Make these smaller schools into specialized programs and/or into special needs centers, autism focused schooling or appropriate temporary reform schooling instead of sending them to ACE where those kids are sent to be uneducated & forgotten.	11/7/2023 9:56 PM
6	Should put two schools with similar age group together	11/5/2023 3:05 PM
7	We are currently taxed at 147 mills in district 1. Please don't put any more taxes on the ballot. Enough already.	11/4/2023 8:18 AM
8	What is wrong with you guys....	11/3/2023 12:26 PM
9	Reduced COC staff no new taxes	10/29/2023 10:11 AM

10	None	10/28/2023 6:09 PM
11	Should not consolidate across different communities	10/27/2023 4:08 PM
12	There should not have been 2nd Hs in this area there was eventually be a decline enroll because of the lack of jobs and resources in this area. WSM is not accessible to the community.	10/27/2023 9:54 AM
13	Agree with staying open if maintaining the taxation.	10/26/2023 9:46 AM
14	I agree not to consolidate. I disagree on being taxed. The school board has enough money. Ask the teacher unions for the money	10/22/2023 8:47 AM
15	I am not willing to be taxed. We are taxed enough as it is	10/22/2023 2:31 AM
16	Find another solution!	10/21/2023 6:11 AM
17	If the person doesn't have school children the person should NOT be taxed	10/20/2023 6:32 PM
18	Getting rid of unnecessary overpaid positions at the school board office should fund this instead of taxing us more. We're already taxed enough and the money doesn't even go into our infrastructure.	10/20/2023 3:34 PM
19	Consolidate the high schools and offer the kids more options	10/19/2023 8:04 PM
20	I don't have kids/grandkids in our school system, so refrain from this political smorgasbord. Generally not in favor of consolidation though.	10/19/2023 10:57 AM

Q20 What factors do you consider important in deciding to support school consolidation?

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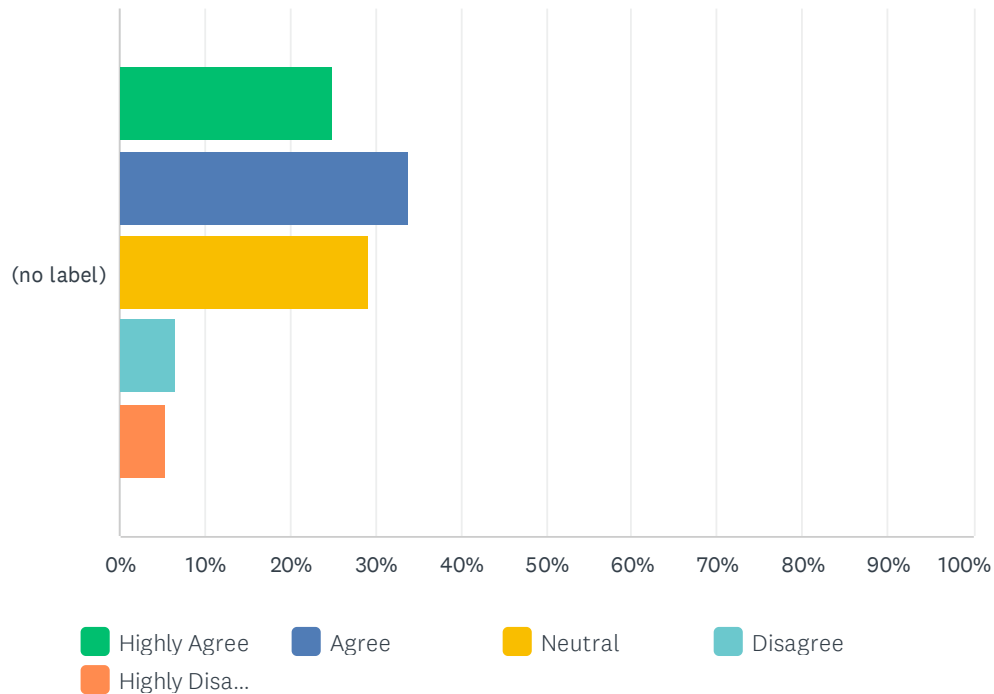


ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Improved academic outcomes	59.68% 225
Cost savings for taxpayers	40.58% 153
Using cost savings to increase pay for teachers and staff	54.91% 207
Access to more extracurriculars and sport activities	40.58% 153
Inclusion of magnet programs or academies (Ex. medical, STEM, visual and performing arts, business and entrepreneurship, etc.) with open enrollment to qualifying students.	52.79% 199
Maintaining community identity through name inclusion within the consolidated middle and high schools.	18.57% 70
Use of cost tax savings to modernize facilities	36.87% 139
I am opposed to consolidation and none of the factors impact my opinion.	20.16% 76
Other (please specify)	5.04% 19
Total Respondents: 377	

#	OTHER (PLEASE SPECIFY)	DATE
1	I am unsure about consolidation.	11/9/2023 8:55 PM
2	Our current system will simply absorb the extra money released through consolidation; the system needs major reductions by the removal of central office employee's who don't teach.	11/8/2023 6:36 PM
3	Stop the few naysayers from avoiding public consolidation discussions. Inform the judge in the desegregation case of the declining enrollment and request an EXPEDITED plan of action to resolve the desegregation case.	11/8/2023 5:34 PM
4	I am opposed to just simply consolidating and not looking at other options for these schools and to give the kids that need special services more access to what they need. I would like to see alternative & creative planning instead of just shoving kids of all ages together which is never healthy or safe.	11/7/2023 9:56 PM
5	Having too wide a range of student under one roof increases bullying which is already an UN addressed problem. Small school/ class sizes are beneficial to our students	11/7/2023 5:07 PM
6	Dual enrollment for trade stop pushing 4 year degree!	11/7/2023 1:58 PM
7	3	11/7/2023 1:45 PM
8	Gifted and neurodivergent children need more specialized education options. We have a lot of neurodivergent and gifted children who's spark is put out by lack of mental stimulation.	11/7/2023 12:18 PM
9	St Mary Parish Schools are awful! Consolidating would make them worse.	11/3/2023 6:51 PM
10	None	10/28/2023 6:09 PM
11	If consolidation makes the class room sizes smaller then I am for it	10/24/2023 12:41 PM
12	I think if we consolidate it's because it benefits the students. Not to relieve tax payers or make it better for others.	10/21/2023 4:04 PM
13	No opinion	10/21/2023 3:25 PM
14	Some age groups should not be combined. Ex jr high and high . But elementary schools of high schools with low numbers could combine.	10/21/2023 9:48 AM
15	Consolidating would also allow sponsorship or donation funds to be stretched further, rather than businesses giving a little bit to each school.	10/21/2023 8:41 AM
16	Can't answer any of this without knowing more information ... consolidation is great in theory but doesn't always get the outcomes one desires.. but not against it- just need to know more	10/21/2023 7:19 AM
17	If consolidations have to be done then pay increases of equal amounts for all pre-k - 12 teachers and school support staff ... especially all pre-k - 12 paraprofessionals.	10/21/2023 12:10 AM
18	Our students need access to more electives and extracurricular opportunities. We only need to look at Texas schools to see what can be achieved. We also need to provide better opportunities for students that do not intend to go to college. They should be exposed to many vocations so that by the time they graduate, they will at least know what trade they want to learn.	10/19/2023 8:55 PM
19	I am opposed to consolidation and believe some of the factors are important.	10/19/2023 9:06 AM

Q21 A NEW IDEA FOR SPECIALIZED EDUCATION: Rate your level of agreement with this statement. A RESIDENTIAL coastal science high school (like the LA school in Natchitoches) that enrolls students from ACROSS THE STATE would attract grade 10-12 students to our area and contribute to the Atchafalaya area's economic growth.

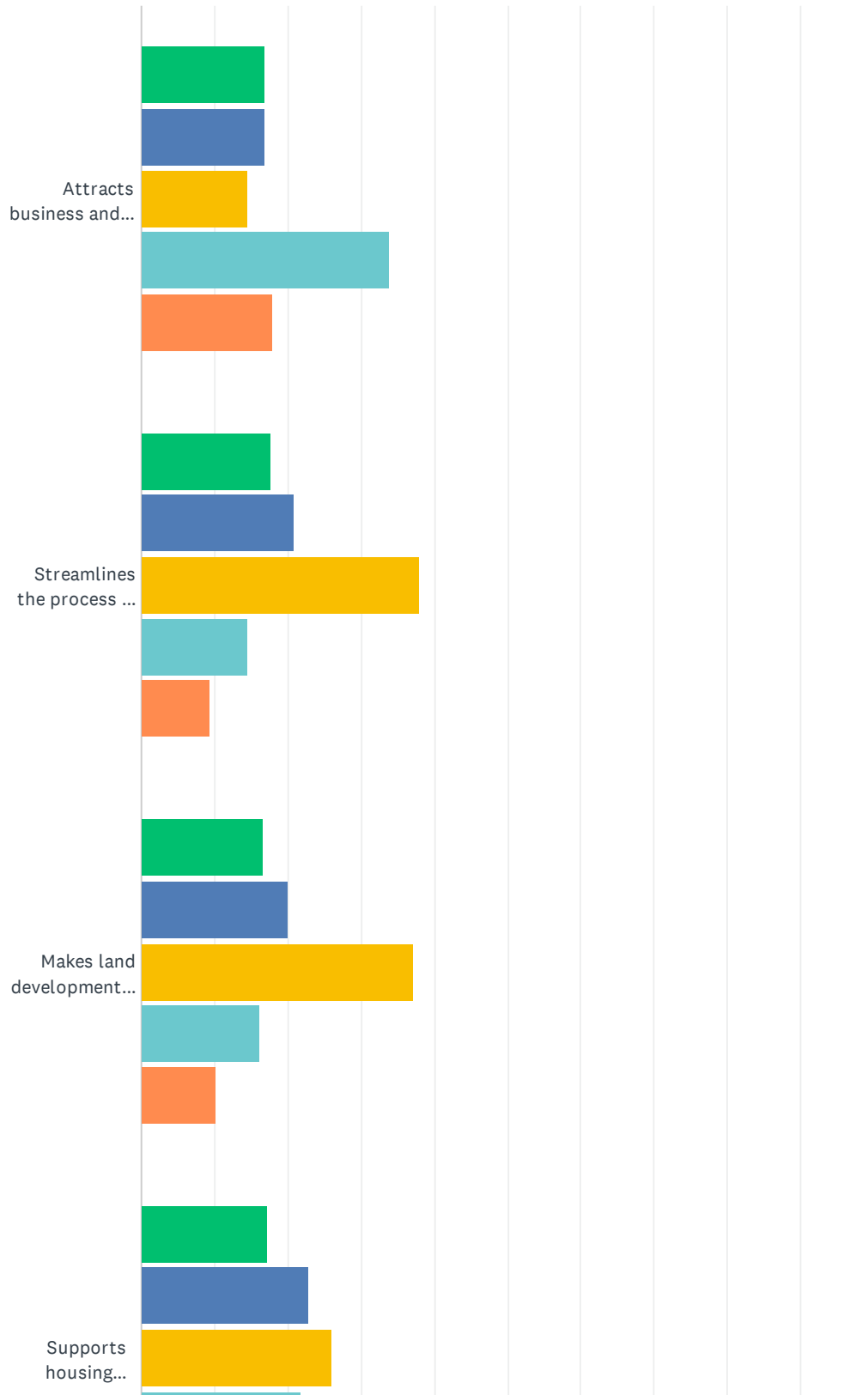
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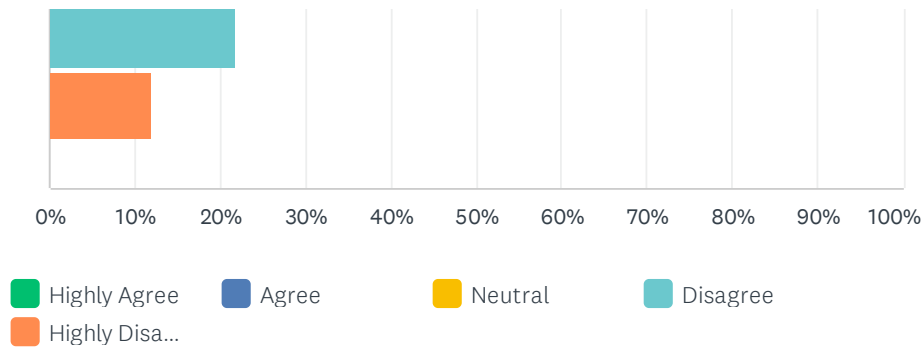


	HIGHLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	HIGHLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
(no label)	24.93%	33.95%	29.18%	6.63%	5.31%	377	1.92
	94	128	110	25	20		

Q22 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Indicate your level of agreement. My community:

Answered: 376 Skipped: 122

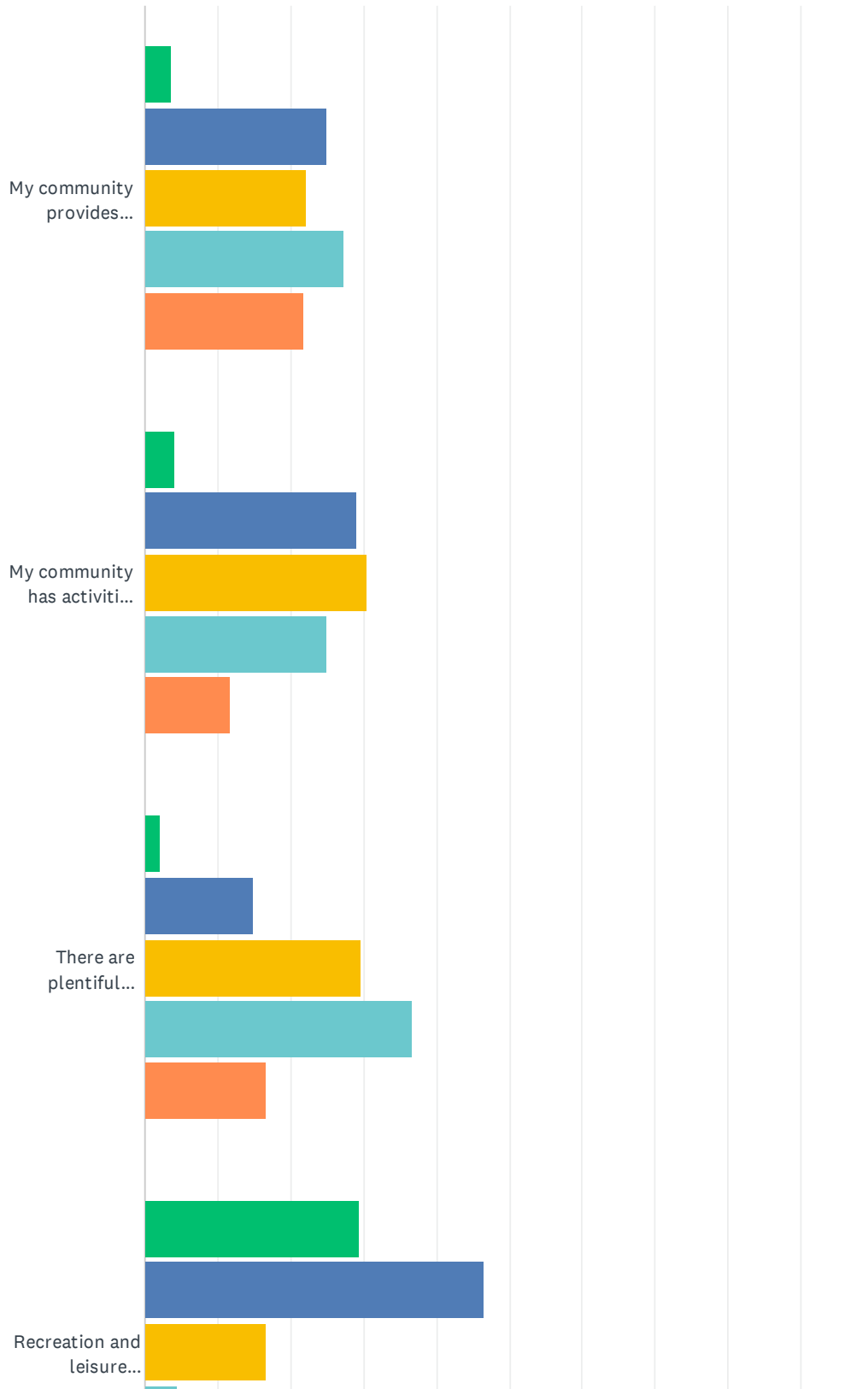


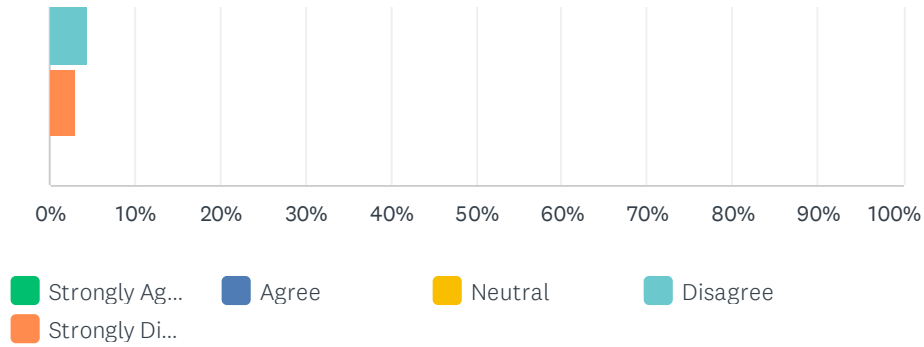


	HIGHLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	HIGHLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
Attracts business and entrepreneurial opportunities.	16.84% 63	16.84% 63	14.44% 54	33.96% 127	17.91% 67	374	3.19
Streamlines the process for attaining business permits and tax incentives by posting needed information and applications on the website.	17.60% 66	20.80% 78	37.87% 142	14.40% 54	9.33% 35	375	2.77
Makes land development zones and building codes easy to access.	16.53% 62	20.00% 75	37.07% 139	16.27% 61	10.13% 38	375	2.83
Supports housing development and neighborhood maintenance to attract new residents.	17.29% 65	22.87% 86	26.06% 98	21.81% 82	11.97% 45	376	2.88

Q23 RECREATION/LEISURE: Provide your level of agreement with the following statements.

Answered: 377 Skipped: 121





	STRONGLY AGREE	AGREE	NEUTRAL	DISAGREE	STRONGLY DISAGREE	TOTAL	WEIGHTED AVERAGE
My community provides quality youth activities	3.71% 14	24.93% 94	22.28% 84	27.32% 103	21.75% 82	377	3.38
My community has activities for senior citizens.	3.98% 15	28.91% 109	30.50% 115	24.93% 94	11.67% 44	377	3.11
There are plentiful opportunities to enjoy the arts.	2.12% 8	14.85% 56	29.71% 112	36.60% 138	16.71% 63	377	3.51
Recreation and leisure activities should be inclusive across communities allowing youth participation across the geographical boundary of the town of residence.	29.44% 111	46.42% 175	16.71% 63	4.51% 17	2.92% 11	377	2.05

Q24 What would you suggest for community growth and development?

Answered: 124 Skipped: 374

#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	Recreation leagues across the parish should combine to increase league numbers and opportunities for kids to be fully involved.	11/9/2023 8:17 PM
2	Provide more help, services, and aid for senior citizens	11/9/2023 7:09 PM
3	Fix our ridiculous school systems. No one will move to a place where they're kids aren't safe (physically and mentally) at school.	11/9/2023 5:36 PM
4	people that own the land sell at a good price so people will bill and grow with us.	11/9/2023 4:35 PM
5	Job opportunities for young college people who now must leave the area to work. Fair and equal wages for all who work. Affordable housing for everyone.	11/9/2023 1:10 AM
6	People doing thing go get done work together and keep things Moving n a positive way	11/8/2023 11:52 PM
7	Wish I had the answer to this question. My children do not live in Morgan City because there are no opportunities for them here. I wish we could clean up and make the city more presentable.	11/8/2023 8:37 PM
8	Upgrade subdivisions to be more presentable.	11/8/2023 8:25 PM
9	Better educational opportunities or programs for students who learn differently, like children with autism and dyslexia. Similar to Max Charter in Thibodeaux.	11/8/2023 8:20 PM
10	Attract new business	11/8/2023 7:33 PM
11	Diversify the economy	11/8/2023 7:07 PM
12	A good hospital with ob/gyn services certainly could attract young adults. I just pray we don't lose our hospital services completely. And we have to pay these teachers more to stay and work here	11/8/2023 6:40 PM
13	Make sidewalks on the hwy182 usable! Who is working to update the S&P festival seems out of date for the court and all	11/8/2023 5:56 PM
14	Do it completely different than it's being done now	11/8/2023 5:51 PM
15	MORE GROCERY STORES	11/8/2023 5:40 PM
16	The school system needs to increase instructional materials and supplies in the classroom. Teachers continue to use personal funds to supplement the classroom. Teachers need to be compensated for sponsoring a club to a level reflective of the time spent. These funding shortcomings could be addressed if the decline in enrollment was remedied through school number reduction. More can be done to address special needs students.	11/8/2023 5:34 PM
17	An early morning daycare system for school aged kids. Somewhere that would host and assist in keeping children in the morning for working parents. Most jobs start at the same time as school does or before and makes it a difficult situation for parents that don't have any assistance with childcare. This place would accept children that are already dressed for their perspective school. Feed them breakfast and get them on a school bus that brings them to their school.	11/8/2023 1:27 PM
18	Have more job opportunities and more recreational opportunities for the young and old. Bring back home economics and theatre in schools. Allow money finances to apart of learning.	11/8/2023 12:47 PM
19	Attracting more business and job opportunities somehow	11/8/2023 12:15 PM
20	The old swimming pool be closed in and make a splash park for the kids. Would like to see the monthly Saturday on main st stay longer than 2 pm for the people who work till 2 because we can't go up town and shop and look at the different booths!	11/8/2023 3:15 AM

21	I would suggest that St. Mary Parish begin progressing. We are still stuck in the past by allowing our old money, old politics, and simply the fear of change to keep us from developing. There are so many amazing school systems in the United States and we could really look at those to help our education system get to a decent level. Our community desperately needs to focus on youth programs and that means all youth, not just "at-risk" youth.	11/7/2023 9:56 PM
22	Community involvement for the children. More activities local for the kids to be involved in that dont cost hundreds per month or cause us to need to leave to community on school nights to attend.	11/7/2023 5:07 PM
23	Youth programs for older teens (15-19) jujitsu, free swimming, free gyms, free or cheap transportation, etc	11/7/2023 12:18 PM
24	We really need more activities for our young adults to keep them out the streets!!!!	11/7/2023 11:56 AM
25	more kids/teen activities classes for everyone- candle making , carpentry, how to cook in a Dutch oven, how to grill properly, arts and crafts workshop, etc	11/7/2023 11:15 AM
26	The areas put their monies together and become one	11/7/2023 3:20 AM
27	Think outside the box. Venture out but advertise and recruit effectively. Recognize barriers and provide solutions to support those who want change but can't find a way to get there. Be more inclusive of ideas to support the lower half	11/6/2023 10:33 PM
28	Community member involvement of those with specific experience in each category.	11/6/2023 7:03 PM
29	Taking into consideration the general cost of living these days. Regular middle class families such as ourselves are struggling to just afford groceries at this point. I love to see the improvement of our community spaces and thankful for the opportunities my kids have through their schools to participate in extracurriculars, but even that can run the budget up by the end of the month. Not everyone has the same type of disposable income, and I think that should be a consideration when discussing community growth and development. I'm all for a wellness center considering so many members of St. Mary Parish travel out of town now for health services. We need to properly compensate our educators, improve our healthcare offerings, and make our community safe and accessible to all.	11/6/2023 5:11 PM
30	Community gardens and recycling prgrams	11/6/2023 7:13 AM
31	Everywhere you look in St. Mary Parish there are buildings and property which had been abandoned or look as if they are. Time to clean up the place!	11/5/2023 6:26 PM
32	We need to complete FEMA regulations and have our area reassessed for flood zones to give our area some relief in insurance rates. This will also benefit the large amount of homes for sale to be able to be sold and bring in new people to our community. We need a tourism draw. We are tapping into some of the things, like the eagle expo, tour de teche, etc. But it would be a good source to get some revenue flowing through our community. We need to address the large amount of buildings on our main Street that are falling apart and get them sold or renovated to bring in thriving business. We need to figure out a way to utilize our port, rail, air trifecta more efficiently. Those things could be huge selling points to larger companies.	11/5/2023 4:36 PM
33	Communicating with residents	11/5/2023 3:05 PM
34	Jesse Fontenot boat launch is a disaster. Trash needs to be disposed of more often. Parking areas are often wet sometimes 6" of water. During hunting season I'm embarrassed of the trash and parking conditions. Hundreds of hunters from around the state congregate here. Our area is missing an opportunity to showcase our parish.	11/5/2023 2:25 PM
35	More business opportunities, more togetherness.BETTER LEADERSHIP IN OUR COMMUNITIES.	11/5/2023 2:08 PM
36	Multi cultural activities. Shrimp and Petroleum festival caters to one culture when Morgan City is made up of many different cultures, Mexicans and African Americans just to name a few, but the only music you hear is swamp pop. This is not the best look when looking to grow and show inclusion.	11/5/2023 12:29 PM
37	Tearing down run down unused buildings. Stricter on landlords to keep properties up and screen potential renters. Attract larger business and restaurants	11/5/2023 8:39 AM
38	Unsure	11/5/2023 7:01 AM

39	More after school activities	11/4/2023 6:38 PM
40	New industry besides Wal-Mart and fast food.	11/4/2023 4:55 PM
41	Wellness Center. More coffee shops.	11/4/2023 3:07 PM
42	a recycling program	11/4/2023 1:51 PM
43	Find properties that are available and suitable for business, target the business and put together a plan to get them to invest in our area.	11/4/2023 1:36 PM
44	Programs that make people want to get involved, there has to be incentives to want to grow.	11/4/2023 11:19 AM
45	Fix roads and water	11/4/2023 10:29 AM
46	Opening a full time recreation center ex like. YMCA type center	11/4/2023 8:24 AM
47	1. Consolidate schools to match the amount of kids In parish. Kids should go to the schools they are zoned for. 2 . Stop putting tax after tax mileage after mileage on ballots. District 1 has 147 mills on property tax. Ridiculous (hospital mileage 13 mills). We are paying private ins. And don't need to add these sort of things. Let oschner buy the hospital. 3. Someone somewhere needs to get legislation about home owners insurance. The parish will continue to drop in residence at 5 -+ % on a annual bases. Homeowners insurance is more than a mortgage. 4 district 1 residents are paying for sewer (20mills) and it's not even on our road! That's crazy in my opinion. MORESI RD. 5 it's almost impossible do do anything on your property with the planning and zoning office. No one in the office is knowledgeable on codes and permitting process. 3 different people go in to get a permit for the same type of job and 3 different answers you get. Just a couple of issues that needs to be addressed but we will continue to see the population drop regardless. So as a parish we have to adapt. That means not raise taxes for the few that remain.	11/4/2023 8:18 AM
48	More kids activities and excerise programs	11/3/2023 10:35 PM
49	I would suggest youth programs for kids to give them opportunities to develop skills outside of an academic environment.	11/3/2023 10:02 PM
50	I would suggest of creating an advisory board for each area listed. The board should consist of community members who are "boots on the ground." If you want to know about businesses and their victories or struggles, create an advisory board of current businessmen. If you want to know about education, create an advisory board of teachers. In our community, too many decisions are made by those who do not walk the floors of those they are making decisions for.	11/3/2023 9:33 PM
51	Work with current business owners to increase growth within companies that currently reside within the parish and not lose them to other places.	11/3/2023 9:30 PM
52	We need higher paying industries in our Parish to encourage our youth to want to stay and would entice others to be here.	11/3/2023 9:04 PM
53	Labor and delivery with quality obstetric doctors, attract new business, opportunities for teens entertainment such as Quad High dances, skate/rollerblade, game room or teen center. Join Morgan City with St. MARY parish library system	11/3/2023 8:08 PM
54	Better leadership. Money? Housing. Better schools. Better teacher pay. New businesses	11/3/2023 3:09 PM
55	Forcing building owners to fix their property, to either rent it or sell it, so that other opportunities can arise. The shell of a ghost town isn't attractive and inviting. We've been stuck in this rut for over 60 years now. We need commerce not empty warehouses. Think outside the box, like Franklin did. More affordable housing needed. Apartment complexes or town houses-so that young people will stay in our area and not live in Thibodaux /Houma or new Iberia. Atttact food coffee places a better movie theater more small parks or green spaces, courtyards. Not everyone wants to go to lake end park. If you neighborhood has a great space, build a small outdoor area for all to enjoy. (Franklin Main Street has 2 spaces like this)	11/3/2023 3:00 PM
56	Overall consolidation!!!!	11/3/2023 2:22 PM
57	Make it easier/affordable for businesses to operate in the parish!!	11/3/2023 12:41 PM
58	Stop with the fantasy nonsense and pop the bubbles you all live in.	11/3/2023 12:26 PM
59	It has to start with keeping younger adults in the area and that happens with opportunities. We	11/3/2023 9:05 AM

	need more job opportunities and activities for young adults.	
60	Wellness Center, Safe Walking/Biking paths	11/2/2023 10:55 PM
61	Companies no longer need to be on site they can operate from larger cities that can offer a better workforce and more than hunting and fishing an due to the advancement in AI they can operate any where the please	11/2/2023 6:46 PM
62	The residents need to be more positive. Love where you live and everything else will follow.	11/2/2023 4:53 PM
63	Funding and profits should be shared from the sugar mills within neighborhoods because they are causing health problems with pollution, destroying roads while the community remains in poverty.	11/2/2023 8:22 AM
64	Engage with the people more, provide more opportunities for discussions using technology and social media, do more community meetups that welcomes children, and more collaboration across community departments.	10/30/2023 9:10 AM
65	Equal opportunity for all not just the rich or poor but all.	10/29/2023 10:11 AM
66	None	10/28/2023 6:09 PM
67	The only way I am ok with paying for the wellness center with a tax millage is if the people paying the tax got subsidized service at the wellness center. We should see copay free visits at the minimum!	10/28/2023 12:22 PM
68	Business development opportunities Housing development	10/27/2023 10:16 PM
69	Fix the air in recreation centers, fix roads, tear down old abandon houses that no one live in or the yard isn't being taken care of.	10/27/2023 6:13 PM
70	Leaders truly listening to members of the community.	10/27/2023 4:54 PM
71	Youth programs that are properly funded, structured, and staffed. An effort to hold our youth accountable for their actions as well as their parents. Use of tax money to better more than main Street in Franklin. We are taxed at rates that are not reflected by the money put back into our communities.	10/27/2023 4:08 PM
72	Making the Baldwin Community Center a summer program for the youth.	10/27/2023 12:50 PM
73	Equitable and affordable housing! Quality education systems. Economic development and growth.	10/27/2023 11:15 AM
74	More input from citizens.	10/27/2023 11:13 AM
75	More activities for the youth. More community engagement for the community.	10/27/2023 9:54 AM
76	I am not against paying a tax for the community center. However I am however paying for a tax and paying for services at the center. I would like to see no co-payments for anyone who goes in for medical services. I understand that you will need to charge our healthcare plan for services this I am not saying the services should be rendered with no payment at all but for people with a health care plan be it medicare medicaid or traditional insurance they should be rendered at no out of pocket cost as the community is paying to support the center.	10/26/2023 12:21 PM
77	None	10/26/2023 11:46 AM
78	More collaboration between governmental bodies that would encourage resource sharing, planning, and implementation of various initiatives regardless of where the credit will be given.	10/26/2023 10:27 AM
79	Diversifying! Oil and gas is the not the sole focus. There's so much out there.	10/26/2023 9:46 AM
80	Tax incentives	10/25/2023 2:05 PM
81	YMCA Filling buildings first before building a new building Lower home insurances	10/25/2023 8:26 AM
82	Slumlords in the area need to be held accountable for their property. There are lots of abandoned houses in the area. It seems that there are more low income people in the area and as our insurance rates have increased and houses are selling for less which is making our houses depreciate. Why does the sewage charge need to be the same as the water charge on our water bill.	10/25/2023 6:28 AM
83	Tourism / expansion of lake end park to include a water park ran by the city like Sulphur LA	10/24/2023 12:41 PM

	has	
84	Lack of professional jobs stifles growth.	10/24/2023 7:06 AM
85	Begin theater productions	10/23/2023 8:06 PM
86	Make a strategic plan based on the greater good, not an individual gain, and follow through with the plan.	10/23/2023 7:36 PM
87	swimming pool like the one that was toen down for a parking lot not everyone wants to swim at the lake	10/23/2023 7:14 AM
88	Addressing blight, enforcing ordinances in residential & commercial buildings	10/22/2023 11:12 PM
89	Expansion of recreational activities for all ages Renovate municipal auditorium for entertainment purposes Renovate current movie theater in MC, bowling alley, and add other attractrational places for families The cities in St. Mary MUST TAKE PRIDE in their facilities if they want people to come. Add additional restaurant chains including a steakhouse which will draw locals from traveling to Houma or Thibodaux Add a soft play facility for children dealing with autism and therapeutic services. Instead of high school for maritime, add this into the current vocational curriculum and expand vocational agriculture programs into ALL parish schools. You will ultimately save hundreds of thousands of dollars that can be used for community growth and development. Highlight and share what is available in the area for people of all ages. Merge a couple of West St. Mary High Schools	10/22/2023 8:30 PM
90	Use common sense. Bringing a business here should be an easy process for that business. We tend to make it much more difficult than it has to be.	10/22/2023 2:36 PM
91	Better Leadership	10/22/2023 9:12 AM
92	Bike trail	10/22/2023 8:32 AM
93	The rent is too high for the old broken down buildings in this town. Nothing to attract new people. This town is a ghost town. No one wants to live here, no attractions, nothing for teenagers to do and nothing for young adults unless they drink and want to go to a bar. This town is just bar rooms and dollar stores.	10/22/2023 2:31 AM
94	More people involved	10/21/2023 7:33 PM
95	I really have no idea	10/21/2023 5:33 PM
96	Better, more streamlined communication plan to deliver marketing info to residents.	10/21/2023 9:48 AM
97	Having activities for kids of every age, there are none! Removing deteriorating buildings opening up property for new builds Forcing our PD to do more! Not only harassing past offenders instead of giving them a chance at doing better than their last arrest. Pay more attention to the red light and stop sign runners before the accidents! Plain and simple, be visible! I can go days without ever seeing a unit anywhere! 🚔🚒	10/21/2023 8:52 AM
98	Strong leadership, improving education for all, bringing new businesses to the area, social gathering that involve family values.	10/21/2023 8:08 AM
99	Shopping and dining options, old money in MC needs to let go and allow more diversity into the area.	10/21/2023 8:05 AM
100	Recommend strongly for for providing labor and delivery services at the hospital. Would love to see more of a commitment from Ochsner health systems towards recruitment and engagement in our community. I would be willing to support and contribute to a millage to ensure the success of our local hospital and the development of wellness center and other programs. I would support a millage greater than that requested to that end. I also suggest renovation of all of our recreational parks and facilities. Consolidating schools is difficult, but I will defer that to the school board recommendations. I am, however, willing to pay a tax to maintain small local schools if that is felt to be in the best interest of the students. I am also in favor of continuing to pursue the NEER in any program that would bring professionals and students to this area. It is my firm belief that we have untapped potential. I believe that having a safe community, which I believe we have is a priority. Also, I believe that healthcare should be comprehensive and meet the needs of a community which I do not believe it currently does. And I do believe that our school systems need improvements. If we do these three things all else will follow in my opinion.	10/21/2023 7:40 AM

101	.	10/21/2023 12:47 AM
102	Lower rents for business. New businesses opening. Oschner St Mary should have been run by Thibodaux Regional. Property values in St Mary are inflated.	10/20/2023 10:24 PM
103	I'm not sure what can be done...hopefully we can get some businesses to come into our area...it's slowly becoming a ghost town. My son left to join the Army, but he just recently got out, but won't be coming home because there is not a lot to offer here (other than good seafood, his favorite). Hopefully someone with real "smarts" can figure things out!	10/20/2023 7:21 PM
104	Would have more small business opportunity if the building owners weren't so greedy with the high absurd rent prices for our small town	10/20/2023 3:34 PM
105	I would suggest a community pool. Also a program similar to the YMCA for kids.	10/20/2023 1:20 PM
106	Pool, public park exercise equipment, updated basketball/tennis courts, community gardens	10/20/2023 1:03 PM
107	Better trained police officers, hire inside community for garbage pick up do not use current garbage company, electric cost do not make sense and do not compare to other communities, get Danny out of the utility office, provide more for youth and better mental health and rug rehabilitation programs	10/20/2023 10:36 AM
108	There needs to be a massive community cleanup and offering services to those who are less fortunate: things like painting houses and business fronts, cutting and maintaining overgrown areas, tearing down old buildings, fixing up parking lots, opening a restaurant that isn't Mexican or seafood (lol) or closes at lunch. If the town was more aesthetically pleasing, then others would be open to building the community back up with local businesses. There also needs to be something for the youth to do. There's been too many robberies and break-ins happening around here. These kids are lacking in stimulation and as a community, we should offer more to them.	10/20/2023 9:40 AM
109	Try to make planning and zoning ordinances more standard across the parish. Morgan city's are the harshest and that makes it more difficult to market for business. And hold owners to the ordinances!!!! Ordinances are laws! There has to be a standard or else people will just be allowed to continue to let things go to shit.	10/20/2023 8:50 AM
110	Refurbish/maintaining the community parks	10/19/2023 10:11 PM
111	A good start on identifying the neighborhoods and connecting the cities of Berwick and Morgan City with the bike trails. Hopefully Bayou Vista will be added soon as well as Patterson. Continue to encourage community activities to get us outside to get to know each other. Support businesses and education activities of the schools for your children and grandchildren. Hold job fairs locally. Seek help of Senior citizens with community events.	10/19/2023 8:27 PM
112	More parish President involvement in development of New business attraction Bringing new industry	10/19/2023 8:21 PM
113	Diversity in industries. Stop putting all the eggs in one basket.	10/19/2023 8:04 PM
114	Add a recreational volleyball league	10/19/2023 7:35 PM
115	Start a few community growth a development board around the parish. Let them meet monthly to come with ideas and quart let let them meet to bounce ideas off each other to present to our councils. Feel free to call me I'll help Eriq Blanchard - 9853122159	10/19/2023 7:28 PM
116	Competitive soccer, more farm to table restaurant, fun downtowns with shopping, YMCA, adult continuing education courses (non-college classes) ex. Wine pairing, ceramics,	10/19/2023 7:00 PM
117	Update City website	10/19/2023 6:54 PM
118	Put our library in the parish system.	10/19/2023 6:43 PM
119	More participation in the activities that already exist. More involvement by the 25-50 age group. More arts and humanities in the schools.	10/19/2023 1:46 PM
120	The community has talked beautification for YEARS. PAY SOMEONE TO CLEAN THE CITY! The major access points are filthy. The c-wall is filthy; grafitti has been on the wall for over a year without being cleaned. There is no Master Plan although that has been talked about for 20 years as well; CREATE ONE AND SOLICIT BUSINESS AND RESIDENT INPUT. Too many vacant/abandoned buildings with old signage still up; OBEY ORDINANCES AND REQUIRE	10/19/2023 10:57 AM

SIGNS TO COME DOWN WHEN BUSINESSES CLOSE. Our hospital (Ochsner St. Mary) needs more than just labor & delivery. Everyone agrees we have an aging population, but our elderly have to go out of town for services just like our mothers are now having to do. The ER dept runs very well, but then there are no specialists here, so patients need to be transferred to other hospitals. Also, when patient does get admitted to a room (after ER), there is not a hospital doctor to visit, answer questions, etc. Our local doctors do rounds once every 24 hours. That's unacceptable when you or a family member is in the hospital waiting to find out what's going on. HOSPITAL BOARD NEEDS TO WORK ON HAVING OCHSNER PROVIDE A HOSPITAL DOCTOR, JUST LIKE AN ER DOCTOR, THERE 24 HOURS A DAY.

121	Encouragement and promotion of more small businesses. Expansion of businesses especially in the food industry.	10/19/2023 10:15 AM
122	Transportation availability. Affordable housing. Senior housing. Better shopping choices.	10/19/2023 9:09 AM
123	Beautification of the town .	10/19/2023 9:06 AM
124	Better hospital services, increased recreational and art activities for senior citizens, consolidation of schools to save money to increase teacher pay improve educational opportunities for the students, state of the art recreational indoor/outdoor facility for all ages, community programs for families and singles, programs that bring communities together!	10/18/2023 6:14 PM