

Harris County Consolidated Plan Survey



All of your responses will be held strictly confidential. Please complete all sides. Thank you.

Home ZIP code: _____ Work ZIP code: _____

Which of the following best describe you (check all that apply):

Property owner Renter Other _____

How long have you lived in your current residence?: _____ How long have you lived in Harris County?: _____

What is your favorite part about living in Harris County? _____

What is your least favorite part about living in Harris County? _____

Community Services and Facilities - Please answer the following:

- Do you use Park and Ride services? Yes No
- How often do you use public transit in a month? Never 1-5 5-10 10+ times
- Would you like a small, neighborhood park within 1 mile of your home? Yes No Already in place
- Would you like a large, regional park within 5 miles of your home? Yes No Already in place
- Are specialty parks (Splash Pad, Dog Park, etc.) needed in your neighborhood? Yes No Already in place
- Do you support neighborhood watch programs in your neighborhood? Yes No Already in place

What is the ideal distance from your home to these services (in miles)?

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| Commercial Centers (Shopping, Dining, etc.) | <input type="radio"/> Less than 1 | <input type="radio"/> 1-5 | <input type="radio"/> 5-10 | <input type="radio"/> 10+ |
| Employment Training and Services | <input type="radio"/> Less than 1 | <input type="radio"/> 1-5 | <input type="radio"/> 5-10 | <input type="radio"/> 10+ |
| Community Centers and Services | <input type="radio"/> Less than 1 | <input type="radio"/> 1-5 | <input type="radio"/> 5-10 | <input type="radio"/> 10+ |
| Senior and Youth Activity Centers | <input type="radio"/> Less than 1 | <input type="radio"/> 1-5 | <input type="radio"/> 5-10 | <input type="radio"/> 10+ |
| Health Care Facilities and Services | <input type="radio"/> Less than 1 | <input type="radio"/> 1-5 | <input type="radio"/> 5-10 | <input type="radio"/> 10+ |
| Centers/Services for Persons with Disabilities | <input type="radio"/> Less than 1 | <input type="radio"/> 1-5 | <input type="radio"/> 5-10 | <input type="radio"/> 10+ |
| Emergency Service Facilities (Fire Dept., EMS, etc.) | <input type="radio"/> Less than 1 | <input type="radio"/> 1-5 | <input type="radio"/> 5-10 | <input type="radio"/> 10+ |
| Centers/Services for Persons with HIV/AIDS | <input type="radio"/> Less than 1 | <input type="radio"/> 1-5 | <input type="radio"/> 5-10 | <input type="radio"/> 10+ |

Infrastructure and Neighborhood Services - Please answer the following:

- Are there drainage problems in your neighborhood? Major issues Minor issues No issues
- Do the streets in your neighborhood need improvements? Major improvements Minor improvements No issues
- Does your street have lighting? Yes No
- Do the sidewalks in your neighborhood need improvements? No sidewalks In need of major repair No issues
- Who provides your drinking water service? City Utility District Other No connection/well
 Please list any issues or problems: _____
- Who provides your sewer service? City Utility District Other No connection/septic system
 Please list any issues or problems: _____
- Does your neighborhood have regular trash and debris removal? Yes No
- Is graffiti / vandalism a problem in your neighborhood? Major problem Minor problem No problem
- Are abandoned/dilapidated structures a problem in your neighborhood? Major issues Minor issues No issues
- Is high speed internet available in your community? Yes No Not sure

On a scale of 1 to 5, how important are the following factors when choosing housing?

	Not Important	Somewhat Important	Neutral	Important	Very Important
Shortening the distance to work	1	2	3	4	5
Shortening the distance to amenities (shopping, dining, etc.)	1	2	3	4	5
Quality of Public Schools	1	2	3	4	5
Cultural Opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Recreational Opportunities	1	2	3	4	5
Colleges, Universities, and Technical Schools in the area	1	2	3	4	5
Open Space and Trails	1	2	3	4	5

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Housing - Please answer the following:

What type(s) of housing are most needed in your community? (Rank 1 to 4, with 1 being the most needed)

Single family General multi-family (1-2 bedrooms) Large multi-family (3+ bedrooms) Senior (55 yrs +)

What is the ideal lot size for a single family home in your community?

Less than ¼ acres ¼ - ½ acres ½ - 1 acres 1+ acres

How many bedrooms should affordable single family housing units have? 1-2 3-4 5+

What do you consider to be an affordable single family home?

Less than \$100,000 \$100,000-\$130,000 \$131,000-\$185,000 \$186,000-\$250,000 \$250,000 +

What do you think should be done with the single family homes in your neighborhood in need of rehabilitation?

Repaired Demolished Demolished and rebuilt No action needed

How large should affordable multi-family housing complexes be?

Less than 50 units 50-100 units 100-250 units 250-500 units 500+ units

What size (number of bedrooms) apartments are needed in affordable multi-family housing complexes? 3 4 5+

What do you consider to be an affordable monthly rent?

Less than \$600 \$600-\$900 \$900-\$1200 \$1200-\$1500 \$1500 +

Is overcrowding in housing units an issue in your community? Yes No

What do you think should be done with the multi-family complexes in your neighborhood in need of rehabilitation?

Repaired Demolished Demolished and rebuilt No action

How much of your household income do you spend on housing? Less than 30% 30-50% 50-80% More than 80%

Is homebuyer downpayment and closing cost assistance needed in your neighborhood? Yes No

Do you think lead-based paint testing and repair are needed in your neighborhood? Yes No

What sort of energy efficient building standards and improvements are needed in your community?

Energy Star LEED Standards General weatherization programs None

What is the closest distance to your home you would support an affordable multi-family complex being developed?

Within 1 mile 1-3 miles 3-5 miles 5-10 miles 10+ miles

What is the closest distance to your home you would support an affordable Senior housing complex being developed?

Within 1 mile 1-3 miles 3-5 miles 5-10 miles 10+ miles

What is the closest distance to your home you would support a homeless shelter being developed?

Within 1 mile 1-3 miles 3-5 miles 5-10 miles 10+ miles

What is the closest distance to your home you would support a youth group home being developed?

Within 1 mile 1-3 miles 3-5 miles 5-10 miles 10+ miles

What is the closest distance to your home you would support a group home for people with disabilities being developed?

Within 1 mile 1-3 miles 3-5 miles 5-10 miles 10+ miles

What is the closest distance to your home you would support a group home for substance abuse treatment being developed?

Within 1 mile 1-3 miles 3-5 miles 5-10 miles 10+ miles

Additional comments:

If you would like to participate in a future interview or focus group, please write your name, phone number, and email address:

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The **Fair Housing Act** prohibits discrimination in housing because of race, color, national origin, religion, gender, disability, and familial status. As part of this planning process, Harris County must analyze factors that limit fair housing choice in the County

Do you think housing discrimination is an issue in your neighborhood? Yes No

Have you ever experienced housing discrimination? Yes No

Please check all the type(s) of housing discrimination that you or someone you know has encountered:

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| <input type="radio"/> Housing provider refuses to rent or deal with a person | <input type="radio"/> Housing provider falsely denies housing was available | <input type="radio"/> Housing provider refuses to make reasonable accommodations for tenant with a disability |
| <input type="radio"/> Housing provider uses discriminatory advertising | <input type="radio"/> Real estate agent refuses to rent or deal with a person | <input type="radio"/> Real estate agent directs persons to certain neighborhoods |
| <input type="radio"/> Housing mortgage lender discriminates by denying mortgage | <input type="radio"/> Housing mortgage lender directs persons to certain neighborhoods | <input type="radio"/> Person was presented with different terms and conditions |
| <input type="radio"/> Other _____ | | |

On what basis do you believe you were discriminated against? (check all that apply):

- Race National Origin Color Religion Disability (either you or someone close to you)
 Familial Status (single-parent with children, family with children or expecting a child) Other _____

If you believe you have been discriminated, against have you reported the incident? Yes No

If no – Why? (check all that apply): Don't know where to report Afraid of retaliation

Do not believe it makes a difference Too much trouble Other _____

Demographic Information (will be used for reporting purposes only).

Age: _____

What is your household's annual income:

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| <input type="radio"/> Less than \$20,000 | <input type="radio"/> \$20,000-\$39,999 | <input type="radio"/> \$40,000-59,999 |
| <input type="radio"/> \$60,000-85,000 | <input type="radio"/> More than \$85,000 | |

What is your race? (If you are multi-racial, please check all that apply).

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| <input type="radio"/> White | <input type="radio"/> Black or African-American | <input type="radio"/> Asian |
| <input type="radio"/> American Indian or Alaskan Native | <input type="radio"/> Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander | <input type="radio"/> Other _____ |

Are you Hispanic or Latino? Yes No

Does anyone in your house have a disability? Yes No

Is English your primary language? Yes No

If No, then what language is? _____

What is your familial status? Have children No children

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.