

**City of Greenbelt, Maryland**  
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## Bike/Pedestrian

### 1. What is your opinion of the condition/usability of pedestrian and bicyclist infrastructure (sidewalks, crosswalks, bike lanes, bus stops, signage, etc.) in Greenbelt?

*Note that a number in parentheses after a response indicates how many individuals gave that same response.*

## General Statements

### Precinct 3

- Adequate (2)
- All of them
- Average to poor
- Could be improved in some areas but generally sufficient
- Decent
- Excellent (5)
- Excellent accommodation provided
- Fairly good
- Fine
- Generally excellent - based on living in Old Greenbelt
- Generally good
- Generally speaking these are in good condition but could use a facelift here and there
- Good (22)
- Good and getting better
- Good but could be better
- Good condition (2)
- Good enough
- Good in Old Greenbelt
- Good usability
- Great
- Greenbelt is a great place for walking
- I don't use them now because of age. What I use seems to be adequate
- I feel the conditions are above satisfactory
- I think the neighborhood is a commuter-friendly city. The roads and trails are wide enough for everyone to use
- In general, fine!
- In good shape
- In my opinion the above mentioned infrastructure is adequate
- Inadequate
- It is okay as is
- It's generally good as far as pedestrians go. Don't have a bike, can't comment
- It's good, actually
- It's OK. I haven't gotten hit yet
- It's where it needs to be
- Keep maintained
- Love the walking paths
- Most walkable town I have ever seen. Bikes too. Keep it up

- Most walkways are great
- Mostly good
- Need work
- No complaints
- Not enough
- OK (3)
- OK but please help make some key or critical improvements
- Okay (5)
- Pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure is very good
- Pedestrian, signage - excellent. Have not used bus
- Probably as good or better than most communities
- Quite good (2)
- Seems to be good
- Sidewalks, crosswalks and signage are okay; don't use others
- The City does a good job with all that are listed
- The paths are great!
- They are fine (2)
- Very good (6)
- Very good and well thought out
- Very good. Much better than many other towns
- Very happy
- We need designated lanes throughout more of the City
- We need more pedestrian and bicyclist infrastructure
- Well-done!
- Well-kept
- What exists so far is good, but should be expanded!

#### Precinct 6

- All are ok
- All excellent
- All those I know about are very well done
- Average to above average
- Excellent
- Fantastic – best in the country
- Fine as is
- Generally in good condition and usable
- Good (16)
- Great (3)
- Great in Old Greenbelt
- I do not have complaints or suggestions
- I find these infrastructures to be good
- Improving all the time
- Just fine as is
- Not very safe
- Ok (4)
- Pretty good condition
- Really like what we have, like to keep walking paths and bike lanes in use and order
- Satisfactory

- Seems adequate
- Seems okay
- Should be more bicycle lanes
- Very good (4)
- Very good around lake
- Very well kept
- Well kept

#### Precinct 8

- Adequate
- Condition good/adequate
- Could use improvement amid high-traffic routes
- Don't have much first-hand knowledge but I like the availability of it
- Excellent
- From what I've experienced, it's pretty good- adequate condition
- Good(4)
- Great condition of paths in Schrom Park
- I travel on foot, but the streets could be cleaned up much better, especially after construction or storms
- It seems inconsistent. Some areas are much better
- Mediocre
- Need more
- Needs improvement
- Not sure- don't use these
- OK (3)
- Poor (2)
- Pretty good
- The lanes are good but need better enforcement
- They are decent
- They continue to improve - thank you. Please improve bus stops at same rate
- Very good (2)
- We need them all along with safety
- Well-maintained and clearly labeled
- What I see it's good

#### Precinct 13

- Above average
- Average (2)
- Average but unremarkable
- Better than average
- Excellent condition
- Fair
- For the most part, they are fine
- Generally good. I use them regularly
- Good (7)
- Good – easy to see – well maintained
- Good. I am riding bike more often. I appreciate the city's efforts to make the city more bikeable

- Great
- Greenbelt is a great place to live
- I don't have an opinion
- I think that we could add more
- Its ok
- Neutral standing
- No opinion
- No personal experience
- None
- Not as good as it should be but it's clear that progress has been made
- Ok (2)
- Pretty good. I've noticed improvements in visibility over recent months/years
- Sidewalks are a little beat up in places but generally are okay. Others are good
- Suitable
- They all seem to be appropriate and at good intervals for walkers and bikers
- Very good
- Well marked bike lanes on Crescent Road

#### Precinct 18

- Excellent
- Good (5)
- I appreciate them
- I think all are good. I wish in the bus stops they had trash cans
- Looks fine
- Most are in good condition and are promptly repaired when damaged
- Needs to be increased, maintained, and well-lit
- Needs work
- Not enough
- Not good enough
- OK (4)
- Positive
- Sidewalks, bus stops, etc. are well-maintained
- So, so
- Sucks
- They seem adequate and in good condition - well-maintained
- Very good (3)
- Very good, nice, and clean

#### Early Voting

- Although used by me seldom, seems to be great
- Better than other places
- Crosswalks seem quite visible and well maintained
- Don't care
- Excellent (7)
- Exceptionally good
- Fair
- Fine (3)

- From my observation the above areas for pedestrians and all of the areas mentioned seem to be in good working condition, but I do not use these at this time, not yet
- Generally good
- Generally great. A few issues here and there but we are pretty lucky
- Good (14)
- Good but could be improved
- Good condition
- Great (3)
- Great concept since the establishment of our town and still as effective today
- Greenbelt is very walkable and bikeable – I think it's great
- I am glad we have them for protection of pedestrians
- It's good
- It's very reasonable and fair to the residents of Greenbelt
- Keep Greenbelt accessible for all
- Need improvement (2)
- Not the best
- Ok (3)
- Ok but lots of room to improve
- Poor to fair
- Pretty good (2)
- So far it seems ok for me
- The information is clearly presented
- Usually good
- Very good (3)
- Very good and well maintained
- Very nicely maintained
- Very walkable, and very useable
- Very well done
- Walking paths are good
- Well kept
- Well maintained

Mailed/delivered

- Excellent in Greenbelt core; limited experience outside core
- Fair
- Fine
- Good (4)
- It is pretty good! We love all the pedestrian infrastructure and walk a lot!
- Not good
- OK (2)
- Seems good
- The conditions are better than average
- Very good
- Well-maintained and well-lighted

Web

- Great. We need to go back to influencing our community to walk and get the vehicles out of our neighborhoods
- A+
- All appear to be quite adequate
- Average to good
- Awful
- Can be improved
- Could be better (2)
- Excellent (2)
- Fair to good
- Fine
- Fine. Don't need much additional unless there is really an increased need for more bike lanes, sidewalks etc.
- Good (9)
- Good. I can walk anywhere I'd like to in Greenbelt
- Great (3)
- Great condition of sidewalks and paths in Old Greenbelt that make it very walkable
- I love it. The ones I use are well maintained and the grass kept cut
- In general, I believe the pedestrian infrastructure is quite good
- Inconsistent quality depending on area of city
- It is adequate. Do not increase
- It is better than most communities, but still could be improved
- It's fine, nothing super exciting and noting disappointing
- Its great - a key reason to move and remain here
- Mediocre. We could do much better
- Mostly very good
- Much better than most places
- No opinion
- Not bad, but definitely could be improved
- Okay (5)
- Pretty good condition
- Seems adequate
- Seems fine
- Sidewalks and crosswalks are in good condition in my section of town (Hillside/Greenhill)
- Signage is good mostly. I have not used the bike lanes
- Still need more pedestrian path. For example, Ridge Road between 6 Court and 8 Court.
- They are fantastic!
- Very good
- Very positive
- Very usable. Good condition
- Well maintained
- Work needs to be done
- Works well



## General Statements Combined with Specific Statements

### Precinct 3

- Each needs to be evaluated regularly
- Good condition, but needed on Lakeside Drive
- Good. I use the bus and it seems adequate but would love to see bus schedule times on the post so I know when bus comes
- Good. More pedestrian tunnels would be nice
- Great except Lakeside Drive- where are the speed limit signs?
- Greenbelt is a walkable city in Old Greenbelt. Very car-oriented on Greenbelt Road and in newer parts of City
- I love that Greenbelt is such a friendly community to pedestrians and bicyclists. It is wonderful to know it is safe to walk or ride a bike
- I think Greenbelt is very pedestrian/bicyclist friendly and I appreciate the condition they put into keeping it that way
- I'm good with the current pedestrian infrastructure but I live in Old Greenbelt and don't bike. Signage for guests could be improved
- It is very good. Lake trail is always in use. Dogs should be leashed on these trails
- It's best to keep improving these areas
- It's very good in general, but there are too many accidents/near accidents at the crosswalks on Southway and Crescent and Southway and Ridge. Something needs to be done to improve this
- Lovely for pedestrians; not a cyclist- some of them are as annoying as cars
- Pedestrian infrastructure is fine in Old Greenbelt area, but dangerous once you leave the area. I don't have a bike anymore
- Pedestrian infrastructure within Old Greenbelt is great. I have little experience with pedestrian infrastructure beyond OG or with biking
- Perfectly adequate. Pedestrians should be encouraged to utilize tunnel system under Crescent Road rather than crossing the road, especially at Westway
- Pretty good. The main problem is with the big roads, like Greenbelt Road
- Quite good. There are a few sidewalk issues in Old Greenbelt, but generally it's all well-maintained
- Sidewalks/pathways- great. Crosswalks- dangerous. Bike lanes- nice where available, but often disappear
- Very good! It takes very little time to get where I need to go, even on foot
- Walking from old Greenbelt to Greenway is extremely hazardous!
- We need more education about paths that are not parallel to roadways
- Without a car it is very hard to get to Metro

### Precinct 6

- Excellent - I walk a lot in Old Greenbelt and so much is easily and safety accessible from my house (Woodland Way)
- Few, fine accessibility for able bodied. Disabled accessibility could be better
- For pedestrians, the sidewalks between the Greenbelt Elementary School and the city center seem adequate. I rarely use other sidewalks or paths. I have not used the bike lanes, though I support others who bike (and hope to start biking someday)
- Good overall, but some sidewalks and bike paths end abruptly with nowhere to go except into the street

- Great. Very solid overall. When it comes time to replace a good amount of it, let's use porous pavement to reduce impressable surface area. Rain tax money from Prince George's County and Maryland can help
- It is the best I've ever seen and one of the best parts of Greenbelt could be improved to Greenbelt West
- More is needed – lots of spots that just end, putting bikes onto the road
- Mostly good, but Greenbelt Road needs improvement
- They're excellent. My family of four feels safe walking or biking in the area, especially within our neighborhood and around Greenbelt Lake
- Very good – except where no sidewalks exist

#### Precinct 8

- It is constantly improving - keep up the good work! Bring the Metro path to Greenbelt Station
- It is poor through much of Greenbelt. We need separate bike lanes and protected sidewalks on roads such as 193
- The pedestrian and bike lanes should be widened

#### Precinct 13

- Hard to judge coming from New York. But it is way better than most parts of Prince George's County
- It's pretty okay and user-friendly. I'm in Greenbelt – East (Windsor Green) so am glad the overpass across I-295 is maintained, so I can walk/bike with relative ease to Old Town businesses, library, etc.

#### Precinct 18

- I enjoy the trails. Need more garbage cans - too much litter
- I think they are pretty good. I've noticed more trash along Hanover Parkway. I think there should be regular clean-up along Hanover. I did notice a mini trash cart this morning and hope it will become regular
- It is fair to good. We could use some bike lanes and sidewalks

#### Early Voting

- All are excellent, except safe crossing over Route 201 and Route 193. Preventing widening of BW Parkway and Beltway is very important
- All need to be improved and enhanced; remove gaps in sidewalk routes and bike lanes
- Center of City is very good. Greenbelt Road and Cherrywood Lane needs work
- Fairly good. However, a former roommate who biked wished for more bike-friendly roads. I do not
- Generally good but overgrown – need to put down mulch on paths between courts
- Generally good. Very responsive to vandalism
- Good but only in certain parts of the City. Would like to see more in other areas or connectedness
- I especially like the care shown to trees in public places. I spend a lot of time walking in Greenbelt. The infrastructure is in general well maintained
- Love Buddy Attick Park. Would like to have a cycle trail
- Overall – good; curb painting and street striping could improve
- Poor for Greenbelt East if not using Schrom Hills Park
- Spotty. Some areas good, other areas poor or marginal

- Those under City control are good but need more and need much better support from SHA and County
- Would like to see more in “New” Greenbelt

#### Mailed/delivered

- Good on the whole, but more trash cans needed in common areas
- I like that Greenbelt has all these walking trails, but there is no place to go to the bathroom. I would be more likely to walk around the area if there were some restrooms available
- Infrastructure is excellent. Now we need to get drivers to pay attention to the signs and signals and slow down

#### Web

- Can use some basic improvement for safety and streetscape vision
- Except for needing to cross Route 193, Greenbelt is very walkable - pedestrian-friendly
- Fair, some cross walks are faded
- Fairly good. Need to update bike lanes and infrastructure on Hanover Parkway and Mandan Road
- Good. Some high and low spots that can tend to cause spills. I would say our biggest battle is litter. We have so much litter, it's sad. More trash cans and more clean up days. More programs paired with the schools and youth services to clean up the litter and maybe have them adopt sections of Greenbelt to keep clean
- Greenbelt has a good network of bike paths/pedestrian walkways. But, given that implementation of new bike/pedestrian paths have to be constructed on top of existing roadways, I'm not sure how much better it can be. Already bikers have to bike on roads, not paths
- Greenbelt is a very walkable city which is a huge asset. I would like to see a better pedestrian connection between Old Greenbelt and the metro station. I think that would really attract young professionals from the city to Greenbelt - accessibility is key
- I do not bike, but the pedestrian infrastructure is fantastic. Being able to walk safely anywhere in Old Greenbelt is one of my favorite things and the sidewalks and crosswalks are well maintained
- I walk everywhere and ride the bus. The sidewalk are maintain well. it is the residents that are not respecting the grounds by throwing trash anywhere. Overall the sidewalks are well kept
- New trail between Cherrywood and Breezewood, Branchville, and Greenbelt Station is very useful (I am a daily bike commuter from Franklin Park to UMD). However, I am concerned that the wood surface could become slippery as it weathers
- Pedestrian is great. Bicycle is not so great
- Sharrows on Springhill Drive are very well done - good visibility and positioning, with the exception of eastbound Springhill Drive at Springhill Lane where I feel remaining in the travel lane through the intersection is safer
- They are good but there needs to be a public garbage can somewhere on the four corners of the intersection of Southway and Ridge
- Unsatisfactory. Greenbelt prides itself on the overpasses developed at its creation emphasizing pedestrian and bike safety. That emphasis has gone by the wayside, whole hog

## Sidewalks/Walkways/Crosswalks

### Precinct 3

- Better than the vast majority of USA cities. In Historic Greenbelt signs are needed to direct pedestrians to inner walkways. Crossing large roads (MD 193 and 201) is dangerous. Need overpasses
- Common sidewalks through GHI area need repair. Look at putting a sidewalk along Greenbelt Road with crosswalks
- Connections between parts of the City are poor. Busy roads without pedestrian/bike overpasses make it unsafe and difficult to walk or bike to all parts of the City
- Crosswalks- some need traffic lights and cameras, especially corner of Crescent and Southway, as school buses stop here and children are running across. But cars often don't stop. Also elderly across with groceries from co-op. I have almost been hit three times while in the crosswalk
- Don't allow parking so close to crosswalks. Can NOT see pedestrians at synagogue crosswalk
- Good but quality declines the further you get from Historic Greenbelt (e.g., no sidewalk in front of the mall)
- Good. We walk to movies, co-op pharmacy. Very walkable
- I appreciate as a senior the pedestrian infrastructure. Gives me the ability to get around easily without a car to places I might not be able to go to if I lived elsewhere
- I love all the paths and they are kept in decent condition
- I think the condition is good, but I don't feel that pedestrians are always safe crossing walkways because cars don't always stop, especially off the primary road near Greenbelt Metro
- I think visibility is fine for the most part, but I think that there are areas where there is not enough room for pedestrians and bicyclists to co-exist (bicyclists not using bike lane and/or full lane of traffic); also, there are intersections where drivers are not watching out for pedestrians but only for other drivers
- I'd like more sidewalks in Old Greenbelt. I get that they are inside and not on street, but we park on street and I'd like to safely visit residents
- In GHI - poor; many trip/fall hazards; considerable overgrowth that could easily be taken care of
- In terms of runners/walkers, there could be more sidewalks and/or walking/running area on Crescent Road between the intersection near the small gas station to the area near the volunteer fire department
- Not very useable! And dangerous! Needs a major creative redesign everywhere
- Overall good, but we need better crosswalks on 193 and Kenilworth. Need better access to Metro
- Pedestrian infrastructure should be increased in Lakeside
- Pretty good within old Greenbelt - more crosswalks would be good. Anything near 193 is pretty hairy
- Route 193 must be made more pedestrian and bike friendly, and it must be made more attractive like the College Park model on Route 1
- Sidewalk gaps are a problem for use of walker
- Sidewalks and crosswalks need improvement with surfaces, markings, and especially alignment/connections
- Sidewalks are in bad shape

- Sidewalks are not consistent throughout Greenbelt. I sometimes do not feel safe walking with my children, especially to the Greenway Center
- Sidewalks have many uneven and cracked pavement pieces that need fixing. Try traveling with a blind or wheelchair resident- they'll tell you exactly what needs fixing (as a priority)
- Sidewalks left unrepaired present trip/fall hazard - serious problem for seniors
- Some are confusing, i.e., Ivy Lane and Cherrywood Terrace
- Some crosswalks (e.g., Crescent near 4.6.7 courts) is practically invisible and disregarded. Traffic zooms off the hill. Very unsafe!
- Some sidewalk repair was done here; more needed
- Sometimes the sidewalks need repair. Some of the crosswalks need repainting as do yellow lines
- The crosswalk at Ridge Road needs to be shorter and the kind with flashing lights like on Crescent Road
- The path in the center of Greenbelt connecting Roosevelt Center with outer rings of residency need to have better lighting for biking and walking safety
- The pedestrian infrastructure is great and one of my favorite aspects of Greenbelt
- The sidewalks seem well-maintained. Crosswalks are clearly labeled, but more, high visibility crosswalks (especially on Crescent Road) would be welcome
- There are some crosswalks that are not well marked. Sidewalks should be present on Lakeside
- There should be more sidewalks; some do not exist on either side of road (Westway)
- They are great! Potholes fixed on crosswalks would be great for folks who push strollers
- Very pleased- would be good if it was easier to cross Greenbelt Road
- We need more! They are in fine condition but there aren't enough to connect the different parts of Greenbelt. I believe this should be a priority
- What we have is excellent. I would like more sidewalks along Crescent Road and other streets in the neighborhood
- Would love a widely-known and easily findable way to cross 193 and 201 to get to the trails near Lake Artemesia

#### Precinct 6

- Crosswalks need better maintenance. Too many need to be restriped or better marked
- Do not bike. Pedestrian – more sidewalks
- I think the condition and usability is good. Would just add a path that is safe to go to Greenbelt Metro
- Internal walk system needs physical repair in spots. When I see areas that need attention I call public works and they respond if it is city's domain
- My bike hasn't worked lately and I've been lazy about walking. I still find it odd how sidewalks do not go through. Often the end at the end of a court
- Need crosswalk/connection at Citgo (20 Southway) and Greenbelt Road East area
- Okay overall but would be nice to have continuous sidewalks on Eastway, Crescent, Ridge, etc.
- Pedestrian in and around GHI are terrific outside GHI, the trails are kind of scary to me, so I rarely use them
- Residents in GHI should sweep sidewalks in front of house. Very messy in some courts
- Sidewalks could be improved (asphalt sidewalks are uneven, narrow, etc.)
- Sidewalks good
- Some places could use some more crosswalks

- Some sidewalks need repair. Need removal of poison ivy next to sidewalk on Ridge Road 46-48 Court
- Strong and improving are some issues with wheelchair access on side streets
- Use the walkways some – cracks need to be fixed – tripping hazard

#### Precinct 8

- Add path to Metro in Greenbelt Station
- I think sidewalks could be widened to accommodate bikes in areas with narrow streets and street parking
- In Franklin Park and Beltway Mall need more contiguous handicap accessible throughout
- It can be improved with building a path from Greenbelt Station to the Metro in Greenbelt
- Need sidewalks allowing contiguous travel, roads are too car focused
- Need walk way on Rhode Island Avenue; I like to walk
- Needs dedicated space especially on 193
- Positive excepting the lack of the metro rail path
- Sidewalks seem pretty torn up in parts, especially Franklin Park
- Crosswalks and sidewalks along Greenbelt Road could use some work

#### Precinct 13

- I dislike the new crosswalk at Greenbelt Road and Mandan Road. You have to step out into the street to push the crosswalk button on the north side which feels a bit dangerous
- I would like to see safer traffic conditions for pedestrians when crossing streets with heavy traffic conditions
- In some areas they need to be repaired
- Much care has been taken to provide safe walkways and pathways. The 30 mph speed limit is basic to safety
- Need more sidewalks that do not end for wheelchair and motor scooters
- Poor walking lanes/sidewalks; constant power outage at Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway
- Sidewalk needs to be improved
- Sidewalks are often blocked by tree branches, particularly for tall people
- So far good; the crosswalk needs to improve as removing the leaves and the snow more timely
- Some improvement on my street but still some sidewalk problems. No way (or out of the way) to walk to Greenbelt Road from BP station
- Some sidewalks are just absent or broken

#### Precinct 18

- Greenway Center needs sidewalk access off Hanover Pkwy. Crosswalk across 193 at Southway
- Need more sidewalks along Greenbelt Road so residents can walk safely from one end (Franklin Park to Greenbelt East). More bike lanes would be good also
- Need more sidewalks for safety
- Sidewalks in the non-GHI areas are bad and need repair. Look at GREENSPRING!
- Sidewalks need to be constructed; those currently in use should be better maintained

### Early Voting

- Could be improved as curb cuts not kept cleared well and some of us need them
- Crosswalks flashers on Crescent Road do not flash long enough in mornings. One side only flashes for 2 seconds
- Generally good, but westbound sidewalk on eastbound 193 ends near Southway with nowhere to go except into street
- Good but flashing signs at all crosswalks would be nice
- I use the bus to access the Metro and the malls. Greenbelt Road is a nightmare to cross
- I'd like to see sidewalks where there aren't any now on both sides of the road. I'd love to see increased bicycle traffic
- Inadequate – need safe sidewalks
- Many sidewalks are uneven/hard for kids to ride their bikes
- More crosswalks should have push-button warning lights for drivers to see/notice person crossing – especially at library crosswalk
- Need more overpasses/underpasses
- Need safe way to cross 193 at Southway light
- Pedestrians on Hanover Parkway has difficulty crossing the street. Traffic is fast, continuous and aloof. Especially difficult near medical buildings, mothers, small children and strollers
- Poor walking from Old Greenbelt to Greenway or Beltway Plaza is hazardous. Sidewalks are often not cleared of snow or ice
- Sidewalks in neighborhoods need attention, but overall are good. Bike lane upgrade has been great – keep it up
- Some of the walkways need better upkeep – minor repairs. The City is aging – will need more attention in near future
- Some sidewalks have bumps or cracks and one could fall
- Some sidewalks need attention
- Terrible. GHI's inner sidewalks are no substitute for sidewalks along our main streets – Ridge and Crescent
- The pedestrian infrastructure is better with curbs removed. Crosswalks need improved
- There is a limited number of sidewalks in my area of East Greenbelt
- There should be an overpass/bridge to Eleanor Roosevelt High School across Route 193 at Frankfort Drive
- To keep paths open and maintained for walking (GHI-City)
- Trash along streets and sidewalks is a problem, especially water bottles

### Mailed/delivered

- Area around Southway at Greenbelt Road lacks sidewalk on Greenway Center side, and crosswalk at intersection to cross Greenbelt Road
- Few complaints. Would love to see an overpass across Greenbelt Road nearby with access to the shopping center at Greenway
- Fix that cracked sidewalk at 11-S Ridge Gardenside
- I use the pedestrian walkways which are fine. I would love to have a flashing light at the crosswalk on Westway maybe solar. It is dangerous
- In Old Greenbelt: crosswalks are absent at a number of locations where sidewalks meet the street
- Many areas do not have sidewalks

- Sidewalks in some areas are terrible. In Greenbelt East on the left side by water (post office, x-ray) some sidewalk, dirt, and brick. Tree roots on sidewalk on Hanover Parkway in Green Spring II side by 7-11

#### Web

- A pedestrian bridge should be built over Greenbelt Road near the Windsor Green Community Center area to allow safe walking across the street there
- Greenbelt Road is still extremely hazardous and anti-pedestrian. If this is a state road, work with the state on improvements. Make it a priority. Improve crosswalks and other pedestrian protections. Improve sidewalks for the lives of pedestrians. The irregular three-street intersection of Greenbelt Road, Lakecrest Drive, and American Legion Drive is especially hazardous and confusing for pedestrians, bikers, buses, and other drivers. For that unorthodox intersection, please budget to study a redesign, improve signage, improve on-road markings, and better regulate traffic flow. Also study and implement a prohibition of right-turn-on red at several corners of that difficult intersection. Right-turn-on red increases the existing hazards and confusion at that intersection
- I'd like to see more street side sidewalks in GHI, e.g., along Hillside Road
- In central Greenbelt it is good but difficult to cross Greenbelt Road and even walking around Greenway parking lot feels pedestrian un-friendly
- Lakeside Drive should have sidewalks!
- Need better access to close shopping centers on Greenbelt Road. You can't safely get there on foot from old Greenbelt
- Need complete sidewalks on Crescent Drive. Add sidewalks so individuals who use wheelchairs can navigate safely throughout the entire city. Improve safety of crossing of Greenbelt Road
- Not all streets are paved, so sometimes one has to walk where cars go. If drivers are not careful, it can be dicey
- Not bad but too many areas where sidewalks/bike lanes just end and you're forced to walk in the street or cross to the other side. Need another crosswalk on Kenilworth at Cherrywood or Ivy Lane to make the walk from the metro shorter for those of us in the Boxwood Village area
- Not enough continuous sidewalks in Old Greenbelt. It should be possible to walk the length of Crescent Road without stepping into the car or bike lanes
- Not enough sidewalks in GHI area
- Poor along 193. Ok in some neighborhoods
- Poor sidewalks - need to be redone
- Pretty much all of it is usable. A small portion of the sidewalks are overdue for replacement
- Sidewalks and crosswalks are somewhat bad in and near Lakewood
- sidewalks are challenging
- Sidewalks are cracked and mushrooms are growing near them
- Sidewalks are not wide enough on route 193. I do not think it is a walkable area. I feel safer driving around
- Sidewalks are not accessible at 112 Greenhill Road. Their yard violates city code and need to have their bushes removed
- State sidewalks (MD-193, MD-201) are derelict or missing. Most everything owned by the City seems good
- The sidewalk along Crescent from the downtown to the lake (I believe from Northway to Boxwood) could use some improvement. Also, there should be some sensible



sidewalk/crosswalk/entrance path from Boxwood and the rest of the area to get to Buddy Attick Park

- There needs to be a visible sidewalk from the Sunoco Gas Station to the Greenbelt Community Church on Crescent Road. It is dangerous how many people walk in the street in that section of the road
- Walk light at crosswalks, especially Hanover Parkway and Greenbelt Road is too short. Handicapped and elderly do not have sufficient time to cross the intersection
- We are disappointed there is no sidewalk on Crescent, though love all the other walkways
- We need MORE PEDESTRIAN - CONTROLLED TRAFFIC LIGHTS like the one at Green Ridge. Or HAWK beacons -- crosswalks, even ones that beep and flash, are a failed safety strategy. Need more sidewalks along streets in GHI. Would be nice to have at least one bike-able trail in the woods somewhere
- Wonderful. But I do wish every street had a sidewalk on one side or the other; and that sidewalks didn't just end with several feet (at best) before the next paved surface

## Cycling/Bike Lanes/Paths

### Precinct 3

- Bicyclists need to be educated; they need to follow the laws like everyone else
- Bicyclists take their lives in their hands when they leave the core - bike lanes vanish or don't exist
- Bike lanes could be improved for access to shopping on Greenbelt Road and to other bike paths (i.e., Lake Artemesia)
- Bike lanes should be added all the way around Crescent Road by the Community center. They're good
- Bike paths are not safe enough along Greenbelt Road
- Could be better for biking
- Good except there should be better link up between Buddy Attick and Lake Artemesia for bikers
- Good in some areas, spotty in others. We need to improve/increase bike lanes to make all areas accessible. The recent study by APB is a great contribution to this
- Great bicycle lanes- very bike friendly except Greenbelt Road needs more consistent lanes (not helpful to have a bike lane for 2 blocks then no bike lane)
- I dislike the bike lanes; those people don't use them; they ride in and out of traffic causing havoc
- I think that most or all of it is in excellent shape. However, I would like to see more dedicated bike lanes and make it easier and safer to bicycle outside of Old Greenbelt (to Metro or to Greenbelt Plaza, etc.)
- I think we need to greatly improve bike lanes. Greenbelt Road is dangerous; Lakeside Drive dangerous; Westway horrifying
- Increase bicycle locations. Designate a bike lane for Ridge Road
- More and extensive bike lanes would be appreciated
- More bike lanes and addition of sidewalk in some high pedestrian traffic areas
- Mostly really good but would like to see more bike lanes
- Need better/more bike lanes, good walking paths
- Need bike lanes near and at Town Center. Need bicycle speed limit signs on hiker/biker trails
- Need bike lanes on Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth Avenue and other places
- Need more bike lanes

- Need more/safer bike lanes
- Not enough bike lanes
- Pedestrian infrastructure is very good, however, bicycle infrastructure could be seriously improved with more bike lanes and PSAs about not riding on sidewalks
- Pedestrian walkways are great. Need more safe (for bikes and pedestrians' sakes) bike lanes
- Public works clogs Buddy Attick Park trails on Monday mornings
- The bicycle lanes are terrible and a system of bicycle trails should be completely designed that interconnects with all bicycle trails in neighboring communities. Something should be done to encourage drivers not to use neighbor streets as short cuts. The intersection at Lakecrest/Legion Drive/Greenbelt Road should be completely redesigned or abandoned
- Very good, but the path from the new GB townhomes to the Metro must be built; all bike lanes should curve down to street level at exit points (don't keep a high curb there); the roundabout on Cherrywood Lane needs to provide room for the bike lane

#### Precinct 6

- A dedicated bike path with a bridge over the Beltway/Greenbelt Road would be very helpful
- Bicycle lanes often end suddenly, e.g., on Crescent Road eastbound at St. Hughes School
- Bike lanes are generally pretty good, but there could be more of them
- Biking infrastructure could be improved. Trails are good but need to be maintained
- Compared with other truly bike-friendly towns, Greenbelt has a way to go; it's about 5 on scale of 1-10. Can't bike to shopping centers, lack of bike racks, ridiculous bike lane at Metro traffic circle. Many "gotchas"
- Create actual bike lanes. Don't mix bikes and pedestrians or bikes and cars. Make more tunnels and bridges across major roads. Why can't anyone safely cross 193 or Beltway?
- Good, but we need a bike path that would connect Old Greenbelt to the bike paths leading to College Park/Lake Artemesia
- I like to bike here, but it is still hard to bike to College Park. Going up and down the hill on Ivy Lane discourages me. I'd like to see a protected lane in the median of Kenilworth Avenue. I think lots of people would use
- I would like a physical barrier between bicycle and automobile lanes similar to certain roads in Washington, D.C.
- I'd like more protected bike lines, better connections to other area trails, over or underpass at Kenilworth, and a trail between Greenbelt Station and the Metro
- Infrastructure is good, though streets are too narrow for bikes
- It would be lovely to have safe cycling and pedestrian passage from Old Greenbelt to Greenway Shopping Mall
- More bike lanes to ride safely without use of streets
- Need more bike accessibility
- Need more bike lanes, overpasses
- Poor. I would like to see separation from the road (protected bike lanes)
- Pretty darn good. The biggest missing link is a safe connection between Old Greenbelt and Greenbelt West. My child will be at Greenbelt Middle School next year, and we would like for him to be able to bike safely
- So-so. Real bike lanes with barriers, pedestrian/bike bridge for Metro would increase bike use

- The newly labeled bike lanes are wonderful and remind drivers not to pass to the right. Sidewalks in many areas need work (corner of Research and Ridge) before pedestrians are injured. Bus stops and signage seem adequate
- Very good except improvements needed in regards to the new bike path near the Greenbelt condos

#### Precinct 8

- More bike lanes. A path to the Metro in Greenbelt is a must

#### Precinct 13

- Inconsistent – needs a survey – mapping to improve uniformity throughout city. Need a bridge across Greenbelt Road for pedestrians/bikes
- It can improve drastically. There aren't lanes in all of Greenbelt for bicycles.
- More bike lanes, please. Sidewalks where there are none
- Need more bike lanes
- Need more education on bicycle safety. Not a lot of bike lanes other than 193 and Ridge
- Pedestrians great. Bike lanes need much more
- The bike lanes should be like in D.C. prominent and safer not just paint. Greenbelt needs to connect bike trail East Greenbelt to College Park
- We need more bike lanes. But otherwise I think these services are good

#### Precinct 18

- Not enough and safe bicycle lanes

#### Early Voting

- Awful. I cannot bike in Greenbelt West or East
- Bike lanes need to be improved. Some end suddenly (e.g., Crescent and Kenilworth)
- Could be better – not completely safe to bike along Cherrywood to Metro and pretty impossible to bike or walk Greenbelt Road. Good within the Center City
- I love the sidewalks, bike lanes and walking paths. I wish there were bike lanes all along Greenbelt Road
- If it were possible to have a bike lane on Route 1 to Laurel. This is what I would suggest. Part of the bike lane on Route 1 to Laurel from Greenbelt is missing not usable
- Lacking. Unsafe to bike to College Park. Few bike racks I trust
- Make bike lanes safer and more numerous, especially to Metro Station
- Not great for bikes. Great for walking
- There are no bicycle paths that I know of

#### Web

- Bicycle infrastructure is poor. Sidewalks within GHI are good; cannot comment on others but walking along Greenbelt Road., as well as crossing it, appear dangerous
- Bicycle infrastructure needs work--more lanes, stands, and repair stations
- Bicycle routes need to be improved along Greenbelt Road (a separate divided bike path) and the connection between Crescent Road and Ivy Lane
- Bike lane on Greenbelt Road is narrow and dirty; the sidewalk is often obstructed by overgrown plants. A curb cut would be helpful on the Cherrywood traffic circle so that bicyclists turning left off of Metro Drive onto Cherrywood can get onto the bike lane (which is

diverted onto the sidewalk prior to the traffic circle). The walkway on the north side of the Spellman overpass floods, sometimes freezing creating an icy hazard

- Bike lanes could be kept better and debris free. Sidewalks and crosswalks are good. We might need more crosswalks painted where GHI interior paths cross the street
- Could be better. Would like to see a safe off-road cycling network connecting all 3 major segments of Greenbelt and Greenbelt Park
- Good. Could be better bike lanes on major roads
- I am very happy with how walkable Old Greenbelt is. Riding my bike beyond Old Greenbelt quickly becomes a problem, as I have to cross 193, 201 and/or I-495. Our son now goes to Greenbelt Middle School, and we have not yet identified a safe way for him to ride his bike to school (we live on Northway)
- I wish the neighborhood trails, we're better maintained
- It would be nice if the bicycle lane starting on Greenbelt Road and Cherry Hill would connect to Greenbelt
- It's great that there is a bike lane on Crescent Road and a few other places. The more bike lanes and bike paths, the better!
- Not enough designated bike lanes
- Some gaps in connections for bicycling, for example on Cherrywood Lane. Also annoying that there is a gap in the sidewalks on Branchville, although I know that is not Greenbelt city property
- The condition is good. However, bicycle lanes in more parts of the city would be good
- There are not enough bike lanes. It gets tricky in the summer season

## Signage/Lighting

### Precinct 3

- Good. I like the old stone and map welcome signs on Southway - maps for people without cell phone/GPS is important
- I'd like a map of the bike trails more easily accessible
- If the City puts up one more sign, I am moving to Canada. I feel as if I'm living at Times Square
- Iffy - needs better signage; 193 is a mess
- Lighting of these areas is VERY important for safety and continued use
- Not bad, could be better- more signage
- Okay. Trails could use more signage
- The condition is good and is fairly useable. Some pedestrian walkways could use more lighting
- Walkways should be lighted. Bike paths in parks would be great
- Would like to see certain trails have lighting for evening use

### Precinct 6

- I think they are sufficient; at times the lighting could be better
- I wish there was a better map system available at various points along major paths. Sign posts, mileage, anything that says where you are
- Need better lighting at night
- Perfectly adequate, but lighting could be improved

- Some crosswalks have very poor visibility and need additional lighting; in particular – crosswalk by Ridge Road and Crescent Road; crosswalks along Baltimore Washington Parkway between Hanover Parkway and Southway
- The amount of bus stops and bike lanes are plentiful in my opinion. There could be more street lights in certain areas and stops (i.e., Ridge Road and Ivy Lane)

#### Precinct 13

- All the infrastructure has been upgraded from three to five years ago. There still is room for improvement. Especially in dimly lit areas with moderate vehicle traffic and foot traffic
- The pedestrian and bicyclist infrastructure should have better overhead lighting. Hard to see at night

#### Precinct 18

- Signage could improve for locations of major facilities. Bicyclist lanes are marked well now. Condition of sidewalks is generally good

#### Early Voting

- Good crosswalk lights do not stay on long enough
- I think usability is good, but would like more street lights around crosswalks
- In the last year, too many signs have been put up. This excessive signage ruins the charm of a historic landmark in Old Greenbelt and also other wooded areas in other parts of Greenbelt (East and West)
- Too many signs – really tacky
- Too much signage massed at Crescent and Kenilworth. Impossible to read and a blight

#### Web

- Despite the number of times Council has been made aware of the lack of signage and its impact on business, the City has not taken steps to improve signage around the historic center. Sidewalks could be improved. Need marked crosswalks or pedestrian ways in the municipal parking lot (near pool, Roosevelt Center, and Municipal Building)
- I would prefer Greenbelt cut back on signage. Too many signs by lake area
- Miss the old sign on Southway as you enter Greenbelt. Would like to see a new sign showing all the streets in Old Greenbelt
- Need improvement. Sidewalks often uneven. Lighting uneven on streets. I walk even at night. Without a flashlight I can too easily trip and fall because of poor visibility and unevenness of sidewalks
- Too many signs in some locales, not enough in others. Some sidewalks and crosswalks need work

## **Bus Stops**

#### Precinct 3

- Bus stop near Roosevelt Center has a nest full of yellow jackets

#### Precinct 6

- Bus stops – Greenway?
- Everything is great but some of the bus stops, especially the ones on The Bus route via Hillside and Greenhill

### Precinct 13

- Generally good – bus stops need more lighting areas dark at the stops

### Precinct 18

- Bus stops need trash containers. "No Smoking" signs should be posted at bus stops. Also, "No Littering" signs should be posted at bus stops

### Early Voting

- Brighter lighting for bus stops at night
- Good. The bus stops should have trash bins that are emptied daily
- I would like to see more bus stops and closer together, i.e., a bus stop at the library

### Mailed/delivered

- Bus stops need to be safe and well lit
- Greenbelt bus stops need shelter, i.e., little roof top and benches
- I notice a bus stop (shelter) on Crescent Parkway that does not indicate that buses no longer stop there. Are there other stops like that?

### Web

- Bus stops are a lot of upkeep. Trash is left behind.
- More bus stops in Greenbelt should be made ADA accessible, even if that means removing parking spaces

## **Multiple/Miscellaneous Topics**

### Precinct 3

- Bike lanes should be improved and expanded. Need better lighting on interim walkways. Need sidewalks on Crescent Road
- Build more bus shelters. Some crosswalks need repainting
- I would like to see more crosswalks on Southway. Slow down traffic. Bike lanes connecting shopping, residential, and parks
- I'd like our community to move towards pedestrian and bike options over cars. The fewer cars in GHI the better
- Improve lighting and stay on top of repairs
- In GHI, bicycle paths and routes aren't very clear. The bus stops look uncomfortable and run down. Sometimes trash overflows the public trash cans, even near playgrounds
- Keep the update of crosswalks and bike lanes and keep the structure of the area signs painted
- Many of the sidewalks have brush and poison ivy growing over them. Bike lanes are lost in certain sections
- More bike lanes and places to store bikes are needed
- More pedestrian-friendly outside of Old Greenbelt. Also, more bike lanes
- More publicity about bike and walking paths and how they connect to other paths
- Most sidewalks and crosswalks are well-maintained and usable. Some sidewalks could use better lighting at night, and the intersection of Southway and Ridge Road is very pedestrian un-friendly
- Need more sidewalks on major roads. More ways to walk/bike from Old Greenbelt to other areas like the close enough shopping centers. No safe way to get there now

- Needs to be increased, more sidewalks, safer bike lanes
- Needs to be more walkable - more safe crosswalks, and efforts to curb speeding, especially on Ridge Road
- Night lighting on Lake Path please. Concrete steps at walk signal at Greenway Shopping Center
- No dedicated bike lanes on some streets. Pedestrians often do not use sidewalks, especially on Garden way near overpass
- No opinion on bike infrastructure in GHI (along Ridge Road, sometimes sidewalk is only on one side)
- Poor. The majority of roads still do not have dedicated bike lanes. There are few (no?) dedicated bike paths. Commuters have to ride on car lanes in many areas or on narrow sidewalks. Very few safe places for children to ride
- Sidewalks often need repair - uneven plus more lighting. Crosswalks often angled so that a visually-impaired person will walk not on the cross sidewalk but onto a curb
- We need better pedestrian crossings, more bike lanes, more traffic calming

#### Precinct 6

- 193 should be more usable. Better sidewalks on Crescent Road. Open or fix new bike trail on Cherrywood
- Bike lanes stop for no reason; sidewalks stop for no reason
- Bus stops in GHI need shelters. Safe, separate bike lanes in more of Greenbelt. Bus stops around Greenway Shopping Center are hazardous
- Buses and bikes sometimes a danger
- Get people to stop at stop signs including police
- I think generally they are good, but the crosswalk at Metro Drive round about needs better lighting or shorter bushes or something – people are hard to see particularly at night until you are almost on top of them
- Mostly good. New crosswalk structures on Mandan/Greenbelt Road. Collect debris that punctures bike tires
- Needs maintenance to keep lighting on and sidewalks in good repair, especially in tunnels
- No safe walking on Southway or from Greenway
- This is not a big problem. But old pipes causing leaks and increasing WSSC bills are a problem
- Traffic lines need more maintenance

#### Precinct 8

- All good except trees/flowers in some communities blocking views of pedestrians like at Franklin Park. Button light for crosswalk needed
- Better, but 193 needs continuous bike lanes all the way through Greenbelt and a barrier separating pedestrians from 3 lanes of traffic. Wider sidewalks as well; almost impossible to walk 193 in certain areas
- Bikers need to be more aware of the road
- Bus stops and street lights need to be improved. It's too dark to ensure safety of residents
- Fair - poor; some sidewalks end abruptly. More bicycle lanes would be nice to bike rather than drive. And most importantly the development of the trail from Greenbelt homes to the station to allow an easier and more accessible commute to work/D.C.
- Need more bike lanes and sidewalks
- Need more crosswalks and bike lanes. Our City should be 100% biker friendly, especially on 193

- There could be better defined bike lanes. The pedestrian crosswalk at Cherry Hill Lane and Greenbelt Road is terrifying

#### Precinct 13

- Drivers do not respect pedestrians or people on bicycles
- Poor conditions; Beltway Plaza is disgusting; have reported trash, filth and I've seen mice; it's embarrassing; it has potential, but needs immediate attention
- Some bus stops are looking better, but some need help. They could use better signage. There could be more bike lanes. Crosswalks are in greater supply, which is good. Some sidewalks are needed
- Somewhat chaotic. Bus stops do not all have a bench on shelter. The ones that do are made of wood and shingles neither of which is very durable nor have to be replaced to frequently use other materials. Sidewalks in some areas are broken and take inordinate time to repair
- Stops should be updated with arrival cleats

#### Precinct 18

- Greenbelt Road crossings are far apart, and the road is difficult to bike. Bus stops are generally good
- Need more sidewalk available. Night lighting brighter for a set, i.e., 10pm-3am
- Sidewalks and bus stop structures are getting a little worn out
- There are not enough crosswalks and bike lanes

#### Early Voting

- Bike lanes are in need of improvement. More frequent public buses to and from Greenbelt Metro Station
- Cars don't stop for us at crosswalks
- Crosswalks can be a hazard. Maybe more signs before a crosswalk would be good. Drivers don't always slow down. Perhaps they don't see the upcoming crosswalk
- Enforce signage i.e., no dogs allowed (volleyball area). Bus stops – clean seating area
- Hanover Parkway needs street lights to be improved. The road between Good Luck Road and Greenbelt Road is hazardous for pedestrians
- I don't bike but have friends that do and they don't consider the bike lanes adequate. Crosswalks, sidewalks good, a circulator bus needed
- I have an issue with the parking on the main streets. There are so many near accidents because drivers view of oncoming cars are blocked because of cars and trucks lined along the streets
- It is very poor. Trying to walk to Greenway Center is nice, but after crossing the stoplight to get to the shopping center it is very difficult to get there. Also, the bus stop is not safe
- It needs better signage and monitoring
- More frequent buses from Greenbelt Metro to Downtown Greenbelt. Services for Greenbelt to BWI Airport Monday – Sunday
- Need better bike lanes – need bus shelters in Greenbelt West
- Need to increase signage, repaint lanes around Beltway Plaza
- So-so. Would see benefit to sidewalks, at least one, where parked vehicle force pedestrians out into the street – or maintained and tick-free trails. Would like trail maps in the neighborhoods
- Too many signs – giving the community an urban feel, need more bike lanes



Mailed/delivered

- Comparatively excellent in historic. Terrible on Greenbelt Road. That needs a complete redo: trees, walkways, bike lanes
- Some crosswalks needs traffic lights and bus stops need shelters and sidewalks
- The infrastructure that needs attention is underground (not sidewalks, etc.)
- We were lied to about Metro path to get us to bus at Greenbelt Station

Web

- Awful. Disgraceful. Now, let's work with folks in the know and get them better! Let's encourage residents to carpool, take public transportation and bike and walk. We need sidewalks in every community. We need easily identifiable crosswalks. Let's have bike lanes in all parts of Greenbelt. Bus stops can be improved to reduce wind and cold. They could be painted by volunteers/local artists. Signage can be improved by consolidating major services/buildings at every entrance into our City. Route 193 is a hot mess. Very busy, not pedestrian or biker friendly
- Better than some nearby towns, but could be much better. Need more sidewalks and crosswalks with crossing lights. Need to ticket and tow vehicles parked across walkways and blocking sidewalk cuts
- Bike lanes should be protected, not just painted. Cars, buses, city vehicles often park in bike lanes putting cyclists at risk
- Crossing 193 and 201 by foot or bike: NIGHTMARES!!!!!!
- Crosswalks need to be better marked. Stop signs at crosswalks - it shouldn't be an option (rather than the cars stop if they feel like it approach). The only crosswalk that flashes doesn't always work (by St. Hugh's)
- Crosswalks should be on a "hump" running across the road. There should be "safety islands" for pedestrians when crossing large multi-lane roads. There should be more "dedicated pedestrian crossings" with extra lighting. Separated bike lanes that reduce the pass through of vehicles. Dedicated turn lanes should have the turning information on the road surface, well in advance of the turn. A turn arrow on the pavement is easier to see considering the plethora of signs posted on the roadside
- Good, however would like to see better walking/biking access to Greenway Center from old town. Also, would like to see a 'circulator' bus traveling on a regular route throughout all areas of the City
- I think the playgrounds could use a little better maintenance
- I would like to see more bike lanes and sidewalks or walking paths on both sides of Southway and Crescent. And it would be nice if 193 were more pedestrian friendly
- It's mostly wonderful, but it would be great to have more bike lanes/paths. Also, more pedestrian paths linking Boxwood Village to other neighborhoods and the main walking paths in the center of town
- Lighting is a problem; there aren't always crosswalks where paths cross the road, which is a problem. Bike lanes seem to be hit or miss in their locations
- Lower speed limits throughout Old Greenbelt to 25 mph, 15 near schools and playgrounds.
- More bike share signs and lanes
- Need more sidewalks along Crescent, Lakeside and other places; and more bike lanes, especially a lane at end of Mandan to parkway entrance to Goddard
- Outside of Old Greenbelt the infrastructure is very poor and inadequate, with the exception of the Spellman Overpass. Greenbelt and Cherrywood are dangerous for biking...The "bike lane" indicated on Cherrywood is a joke...it is so narrow, and the surface is rough. Construction of at least two more overpasses - One over Greenbelt Road near Greenway

Plaza, and one over Edmonston at Ivy - would help connect Greenbelt. The overpass at Greenway would allow for safe travel by bicycle or walking to access the Post Office, many doctors' offices, stores, restaurants and neighborhoods located on "the other side" of Greenbelt Road. The overpass at Ivy Lane would provide a safe crossing over Edmonston to get to Metro, College Park, and parts north. Overpasses would also encourage people to explore all of Greenbelt because they would improve conditions for bicycling. I would explore Greenbelt by bicycle - but not in a car, burning fossil fuels and just sitting in a driver's seat, getting no exercise

- Poor. The initiatives taken are scattershot and there isn't a coherent and continuous route across the city. The intersection of Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway screams for a cyclable overpass. The bike lanes on Crescent suddenly stop and there is no signage to direct cyclists across Braden Field. You should take a look at the City of York in England to see how it should be done
- Sidewalks should be increased/improved. Bike lanes could be installed on main streets and a crosswalk should be installed for people crossing Greenbelt Road at important intersections: example: at Hanover Parkway and Cherry Lane
- Sidewalks, crosswalks, signage: good; bike lanes: not enough; bus stops: most are fine, but some do not have adequate space for people waiting
- Square off corners at 4 way stops to discourage rolling through
- The pedestrian and bike infrastructure needs improvement
- There are some places on 193 that I would not want to walk or bike. There are bike lanes that disappear
- Traffic engineering to narrow lanes and reduce speeds. For example, near Greenbelt Elementary, running stop signs is rampant, speeding is rampant - and there are areas where pedestrians are essentially walking on the road for lack of sidewalk (between Research and Lastner on Ridge).
- We desperately need protected bicycle lanes, particularly on Greenbelt Road (MD 193) and Hanover Parkway. I bicycle commute to work and my biggest safety concern is the behavior of aggressive, sometimes "road raging", motor vehicle operators. Protected bicycle lanes would help reduce the frequency and level of road rage outbursts by car drivers. As to pedestrian infrastructure, I think a significant amount of existing sidewalk needs repair or replacement, but I'm not certain how cost effective and useful sidewalks are. Very few citizens seem to walk about. I notice that along Hanover Parkway in the Greenway Center area, there are a number of badly damaged sewer drains which are hazards for pedestrians. The damaged drains have not been repaired in quite some time and really should be, since they are all close to sidewalks
- We need to drastically increase and add new bike and pedestrian infrastructure. Our city should accelerate and put more resources towards bolstering it since there are so many benefits and it fits in with the Greenbelt philosophy

## Most Liked about Greenbelt

### 2. Describe what you like most about the Greenbelt community.

*Note that a number in parentheses after a response indicates how many individuals gave that same response.*

### Community Character and People

#### Precinct 3

- “Community” feeling
- A small town feel. I spent my whole life in this community in and out - this is home
- Active, engaged citizenry
- Calm area/civility (Old Town)
- Caring, friendly, cooperative, innovative, and green, both in plants and trees and environmentally
- Civic engagement
- Close-knit community with many activities close and easy to access
- Co-operative/ kind/concerned. Supportive/problem solvers. Geography
- Community
- Community feeling. Soul
- Community spirit
- Community spirit. Generally liberal outlook. Very strong City Council
- Community - we work together
- Community, accessibility, recreation programs, safety, progressive organizations, cooperatives
- Convenient, safe, affordable, friendly
- Cooperative SPIRIT!
- Diverse and safe
- Diversity and cleaning
- Diversity. Neighborliness
- Engagement
- Friendliness and cooperation
- Friendliness, helpfulness of people. GHI Co-op living. Small town - I like knowing City government representatives and employees
- Friendliness. Green
- Friendly (2)
- Friendly people. Easy to get around
- Friendly people. Lots of activities. Good Recreation Center. No-kill animal shelter. Lots of greenery
- Friendly people. Lots of Community Center activities. Lots of greenery. No-kill animal shelter
- Friendly. Green
- Friends

- Great neighbors, good services. Central Greenbelt is very walkable
- Greenbelt is a community that cares about its citizens and is committed to caring for them and the environment
- Home
- I enjoy the community feeling, quiet, resources (library, Community Center, etc.), lots of greenery and that it's a Co-op community
- I feel safe; it's quiet, less crime than most areas, and the people are friendly
- I like how everyone is involved, for the best interest of the City
- I like that the community is really safe and family-oriented
- I like the friendly neighborhood and abundance of community activities
- Inclusiveness
- Involvement of diverse population
- It feels like a community. Many people participate in a diverse assortment of community events
- It has a small town feel, not too busy, not too crowded
- It has the small town friendliness
- It is a community
- It is a real community! Support for seniors
- It's a community. Small town feel, but close to D.C. and Baltimore and Montgomery County
- It's an actual community
- Knowing the people who live here
- Leafy, green, friendly, community-oriented, and diverse
- Meeting people I know to stop and chat - friendliness
- Neighborhood feeling and diversity
- Neighborly. Community activities and involvement; lots of opportunities to become involved
- Neighbors helping one another
- Old Greenbelt, calm, livable, walkable
- Participation of residents
- People working together
- Progressive and inclusive. Although not enough is done, at least there is some effort to be environmentally responsible
- Quiet, families
- Safe, quiet
- Sense of community and ease of access to multiple activities at Roosevelt Center
- Sense of community and purpose
- Sense of community - group events and offerings
- Sense of community, affordable, inclusive
- Sense of community, closeness
- Sense of community, involved citizens, generally progressive attitude
- Sense of history and small town feel with big town opportunities and how green it is!
- Small town charm and easy to meet people in community
- Small town near big cities
- That it is a community!

- That we ARE a community. Good neighborhood events and common spaces. I like that we are right near a major city but still have green space
- The “small town” nature of community, especially within GHI
- The calm dignity of the residents. The friendly but still private feeling of being a resident. Help from neighbors such as grocery shopping, pet sitting
- The communal attitude. Everything in GHI is walkable
- The community co-operative spirit
- The community spirit, volunteerism; environmental concerns and activism; appreciation of simple, modest lifestyle
- The people and the connectedness
- The people are friendly
- The people are friendly and welcoming. There is a place for everyone
- The people, the sense of community, friends. You feel safe even though there is danger all around us
- The sense of belonging
- The sense of community
- The sense of place and community
- The sense/feel of people caring for each other
- The small community and greenness
- The small town feel. I was raised in a small town
- The togetherness
- There are many volunteers, but there are too many committees
- This is an active community where residents are encouraged to participate in the day-to-day life of Greenbelt
- Warmth and friendliness, great history! Perfect size government
- Warmth and hospitality. Artsy. Aware of political issues

#### Precinct 6

- Ability to come together and support neighbors/community in times need/crisis
- Attitude of friend like to all
- Community atmosphere
- Community awareness and sense of identity
- Community feel
- Community feel, the trees, all the cooperative events
- Diversity and hospitality
- Diversity; warm and caring; creative and artistic
- Family oriented
- Feeling secure and safe here
- Friendliness; activities; convenient
- Friendliness; sociability; plenty of things to participate in
- Friendly
- Friendly small town support (2)
- General sense of community
- Great sense of community. Small town atmosphere. Environmentally conscious
- Green space, people engaged in community, support of arts
- I love our neighbors, the camaraderie, and sense of history, place and community. Also

Labor Day Festival and other events which help bring us together and the local Co-op grocery and the Maker Space

- I love that it is a wonderful community for our young children. It's why we moved here
- Inclusiveness
- Involved citizens
- It's a real community
- People
- People and green spaces. Safe place for my son
- People care about the community and each other. Lots to do
- People know each other
- Quiet/peaceful; safe
- Quirky, smart, engaged
- Recreational opportunities; sense of community; events and concerts; Co-ops; my neighbors
- Sense of community
- Sense of community and safety
- Sense of community, diversity
- Service and friendly atmosphere
- Small town ambience
- Small town atmosphere
- Small town feel, strong sense of community
- Small town feel; family friendly; kind and nice neighbors; great schools k-12; close to University of Maryland; love the town center with everything you need to survive
- Such a large percentage participate in 2 or 3 issues
- That it is a community
- The community and green space
- The community feeling
- The GHI community and the close knit feel of the community and green initiatives
- The sense of involvement and togetherness we have living here
- The simplicity; the lack of chain type businesses in city center. Friendliness
- The way they participate in activities as a community
- The welcome spirit of true community
- Very active residents

#### Precinct 8

- A small town feel in a big metropolitan area
- Active community. Forward thinking
- At its best, the people here are relatable and at the most part, they seem to be friendly
- Close to the city but feels like a small town
- Diversity
- Everyone is friendly in my neighborhood if you get to talking to them
- Family oriented. The rich history
- I like the people, government, amenities and officials
- It feels like a safe community and is very quiet. I love my neighbors
- It's safe
- Location

- Low crime. Small city feel. City services
- Quiet
- Quiet and kind
- Quiet and pleasant
- Safety/generally peaceful
- Small friendly city and clean
- Strong sense of community activism and excellent recreational activities
- The Greenbelt Station neighborhood
- The residents at Greenbelt Station. There is so much potential
- The safety and peace
- Tight-knit, self-sustaining community

### Precinct 13

- “Home town” feel, lots of activities for all ages, landscaping and interest in keeping us “green”
- Activities, people
- Becoming more diverse; and respect to all their citizens
- Community activities, city response to issues and feeling of community
- Diversity, convenience in community, overall friendly and helpful people
- Diversity, pride of community, location
- Engagement with residents and enabling special skills of volunteers/residents to enhance livability/community
- Family feel, community spirit
- Family focus with plenty of activities for all ages
- Feel fairly safe in my condo association/area, stores, accessible
- Feels safe, convenient, good location on Beltway not too far North or South, well kept
- Greenbelt feels like a close-knit, family-oriented community. Its small shopping area is conducive to relaxing and enjoying the facilities
- Greenbelt neighbors and location geographically (close to everything)
- How the community comes together around important issues
- I feel safe
- I like the fact that it's more diverse neighborhood than my previous neighborhood
- I like the small community feel outside of the hustle and bustle of District of Columbia
- It is a very active community offering services to many different members of community
- Information about community activities are well-publicized
- It is an actual community. People are invested
- It's a small tight knit community
- It's fairly quiet
- It's like family
- It's neighboring
- Its people and small town atmosphere
- Low crime
- Low crime. People are neighborly
- Mostly quiet area
- Nice place to live
- Peacefulness

- Quiet and peaceful
- Quiet, peaceful, low crime, good neighbors, safe
- Relatively safe area to live in
- Small community to live in since I work in an urban area
- Small community. Love our movie theater
- Small town feel
- Spirit of solidarity
- The community engagement and activities in general
- The community environment; commitment to civic engagement; growing sense of diversity
- The community feel and the center and the small businesses
- The community feeling, responsiveness of City employees, and overall a great place to live
- The fact that it feels, and the residents act, like a community by participating in events and helping each other. The fact that Greenbelt takes pride, time and money to continue events and programs to do together
- The friendliness and willingness to help people in need
- The people here are active in their community responsibilities
- The sense of community
- The sense of community, the diversity, the history, the taxes
- There is a sense of community
- They are very friendly
- Tight knit community

#### Precinct 18

- "Green." Diverse
- Community
- Everyone I know is involved in some way in the community
- Friendliness. Near everything I need
- Good spirit of community. Opportunity for continuing education. Recreation facilities. Close location to work
- I feel that Greenbelt is a relatively safe community. I feel that it is also a diverse community and feel fortunate that my girls have grown up and gone to school in such a great community. And it's walkable!
- I like the civic spirit of Greenbelt - the way people get involved in the issues the City faces (in a civil way)
- It is a community. People help each other
- Its cohesiveness and "community" atmosphere. Its emphasis on activities for healthier living; care for senior citizens; cultural activities
- Lack of pretension. Sense of community
- Liberal attitude
- Liveability
- Quiet, peaceful environment
- Somewhat safe community
- The community is quiet great place for kids
- The fact that it is actually a community. Greenbelt is great!
- The family community
- The inhabitants



Early Voting

- A peaceful friendly community surrounded by beautiful trees where the center is accessible on foot
- A sense of actual community – fostered by city programs and activities
- Active citizens. Openness to visitors and newly arrived residents. Pride of residents in community
- Clean and quiet. Pretty safe in GHI area
- Clean, friendly, safe
- Community spirit
- Community spirit and attitude of respect for all residents
- Community spirit, location of so much in town center of Old Greenbelt à much to walk to
- Community, walkability
- Comradery
- Concern of citizens – many services provided
- Co-operative spirit in participation and solving problems, recognition of citizen efforts and contributions
- Economic and social diversity. Reasonably low crime. Affordable for most. Kindness prevails
- Engaged citizenry; opportunities to serve in multiple ways
- Family atmosphere, people are friendly, parks and also family events and Farmer's Market
- Family environment and green preservation
- Friendliness (2)
- Friendliness and engagement
- Friendliness of residents. Small scale of the community
- Friendliness. Lots of activities and opportunities to meet others
- Friendly neighbors
- Friendly neighbors. I like the Buddy Attick Park
- Friendly people
- Friendly, hometown feeling. Senior activities
- Friendly, safe place to live with community feel and involvement
- Friendly, small
- Great neighbors
- Greenbelt is an inclusive community. There is something for everyone's interest. A strong volunteer community. Environmentally-friendly
- Greenbelt's ability to maintain friendly atmosphere
- High degree of volunteerism
- I feel like I'm with my people
- I like the "small town" appeal of Greenbelt. I enjoy the fact that I know a lot of people that I see out and about in my hometown
- Inclusiveness
- Inclusiveness. Participation open to all. Meeting needs of all age groups
- Inclusiveness; the number of activities for all ages. City facilities
- It feels like a community
- It is a real community
- It is small, one gets to know people
- It's diversity

- It's safety and livability
- Mostly friendly and helpful
- Nice place to live
- Open and friendly attitudes
- Openness
- Organization and co-operation of residents
- People are very nice, helpful and community spirited. They tend to look out for each other. We need to maintain this. Love the Labor Day Festival and Greenbelt baseball
- People live and work here because they care about the community and each other
- Probably the quietness and laid back atmosphere of the community
- Quiet and peaceful in Old Greenbelt. Friendly. Respectful
- Residents who communicate/plan for benefit for our communication
- Safe
- Sense of "hometown." Council is very visible
- Sense of community
- Sense of community and involvement of its people
- Sense of connection
- Small town atmosphere in urban area
- Small-town feel
- That it is community
- That we really are a community
- The activism of residents
- The community is very in touch with families
- The diversity
- The people-friendly, green, non-commercial atmosphere. Multiple Co-ops. Proximity of services. Helpful newspapers
- The people, the cooperative spirit, caring neighbors
- The sense of civic pride
- The strong sense of community, tradition, and history
- This is a very welcoming community
- We more or less all know each other

Mailed/delivered

- Civic engagement is high. Also, GHI is awesome; support it!!
- Communal
- Community
- Community atmosphere; outstanding municipal government
- Diversity, quality of life
- For the most part people are friendly and courteous
- It's a little shopworn, but tries to be cohesive
- It's home for many years. Friendly, hospitable, generous, informative, caring
- Old Greenbelt seems like a "small town"
- People are amazing! Friendly, interesting, active, intellectual. There is a sense of community like nowhere else. Also, it is a green city with lot of nature walks
- Quiet, involved, green. Not yet New York; not yet Latin America; not yet a Black ghetto
- Small town comradeship; caring, friendly and helpful

- The sense of community. Co-ops (cooperatives) Roosevelt Center. The communication between citizens and City Council. The many activities available

Web

- Active community with lots of events
- Beautiful community (green, environmental initiatives) diverse, quiet for the most part
- Being part of the new community Greenbelt Station
- Citizen involvement and volunteerism
- City design and walkability; Public Library; TheBus; Metrobus; Metrorail; Buddy Attick Park; Community Center; all the Roosevelt Center businesses; the food choices at the restaurants in and around Beltway Plaza; Greenbelt Middle School; Greenbelt Elementary School; ERHS; the friendly residents; the helpful city employees; the school teachers; the talented, intelligent, and thoughtful teenagers
- Convenience, community atmosphere
- Diversity and sense of community
- Ethnic diversity of the community. Inclusivity. Progressive social programs. Easy access to parks/green areas
- Feeling of a neighborhood
- For the most part, the community is very clean, well kept, and safer than many neighborhoods
- Friendliness, caring, services
- Friendly attitude and acceptance of everyone
- Good community
- Good community feeling and Christopher Cherry - that guy is gold
- Great sense of community, walkability of GHI, Farmers Market, affordability, access to Metro
- Green neighborhoods!
- Greenbelt is home for a diverse group of people and community is available for anyone who wants to initiate/participate
- How nice, welcoming, open-minded people are. It's a special city, and City Council works hard to keep its special character
- How progressive, and community-oriented Greenbelt is
- I appreciate the strong sense of community in Greenbelt. It fosters a positive atmosphere, a very friendly population
- I can only speak for GHI. GHI is a real community, and a great place to raise young children
- I like Greenbelt residents' friendliness
- I love living in the peace and the City does care about how the residents are developing and growing as a community
- I love the sense of connection with my neighbors and with the City's past/core values
- Is people/family oriented
- It is a great place for families
- It is a quiet community
- It would take too long to describe. It's great to live and raise my child in a place that truly serves its residents and does a great job of keeping us informed

- It's a small town - you run into neighbors and friends at the Co-op, the post office, the New Deal
- It's a tight-knit community with a sense of history and takes pride in its foundation and diversity
- Its diversity
- Love Greenbelt! A great place to raise a family and to grow as a person
- Love the small time feel
- Open friendly spaces and people
- Progressive and inclusive
- Quiet
- Safe, friendly and within a carefully maintained city
- Sense of community (2)
- Sense of community and cooperation, many ways to be involved, small town feel, Festival of Lights Craft Fair, Farmers Market, movie theater, forest preserve
- Small town environment
- That it really DOES feel like a community
- That the various neighborhoods each have their own character/personality, yet we are all proud to be Greenbelters. Knowing and respecting other residents in other areas of town
- The "community" aspect of Greenbelt is what keeps me a resident
- The community
- The community environment
- The community feel
- The community spirit and special events
- The diversity and the quietness
- The fact that this is still a community. It feels and works a lot like a small town, yet is in a metropolitan area
- The feeling of inclusiveness, the demographic variability (not mono-colored, Stepford Clones). The feeling of a small town in the middle of a Metropolitan district. The fact that I can walk just about anywhere, at any given time and still feel safe. The abundance of nature and the large tracts of semi-wild land
- The friendly feel, the diversity, the progressive-minded residents
- The kindness of the people. Friendly place, caring community
- The people (2)
- The people in my community spur me on to be a better citizen
- The people. We just moved here and we already feel like part of the community. People talk to each other and use the community. It's amazing
- The tight knit feel, and it's walkability and the community festivals and Farmers Markets and parades
- The very tight-knit community feeling, I feel safe, respected, included and enjoy the community
- We care for one another

## Public and Private Facilities/Services/Programs

### Precinct 3

- I love the parks, the library, Roosevelt Center, the Aquatic Center
- Roosevelt Center and easy access to public transportation
- Roosevelt Center and all the things in it (grocery, pharmacy, pool/fitness center, feed, music, movies, etc.)
- Increased services and upkeep. Activities - community support
- I like the playgrounds for my daughter, the easy access to the center of town and library, the safety
- Center Co-op
- Proximity to activities and services. Having both Buddy Attick Park and Greenbelt State Park nearby
- Parks
- Green spaces. Community programs
- Recreation facilities
- Roosevelt Center
- I love community events! I love festivals in Roosevelt Center and the central location of library/community center/movie theatre
- Public services within walking distance. Park benches convenient
- Activities that are provided
- The paths and parks
- Good city planning/paths away from roads; centrality of lake; demographics (high number of elderly); quiet neighborhood
- I like how many community activities are provided within easy walking distance
- Aquatic and Fitness Center. Senior classes. Mr. Cherry's musical. The library co-op
- Labor Day Festival and Parade
- The churches. GILA- Greenbelt Interfaith Leadership Association
- Senior activities
- Old Greenbelt's small-town feel, while being close to more urban areas. Accessibility to major roads. Natural spaces
- The planned historic core and its walkability, with public facilities (library, community center, etc.) and commercial (Roosevelt Center) so accessible. Good bus connection to Metrorail (although more is needed to Metro as well as to connect with other parts of the City)
- Senior programs
- Something for all - kids/seniors/and handicapped - in particular
- Roosevelt Center, New Deal Cafe
- The Fitness and Aquatic Center
- Always something going on - usually free
- Broad range of services. I moved from Takoma Park and Greenbelt "wins" hands down

### Precinct 6

- All the programs offered at free or low cost. I love the greenery, how beautiful to walk or even drive through. The "small" town feel
- All the programs, wish they were a little cheaper – but I don't make much money
- City services and programs concentrated in or near center with easy access

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- City's commitment to services, parks, snow removal and general quality of life
- Co-ops
- Feeling of safety provided by police force. Also the well-kept and maintained public facilities
- Inclusiveness and the emphasis on the arts. I want more of this
- Landscaping/horticulture; arts/performance programs/Community Center; Social/safety net services (especially the wonderful GAIL, CARES, tutoring program/I volunteer)
- Special events, such as Labor Day Festival, P and G movie theatre
- That there are so many playgrounds and places to just stop and look at
- There are so many free or cheap community events. I like all the groups that are active and involved. Most folks feel empowered to act on their visions

### Precinct 8

- Activities
- Greenbelt Station is new. Community Center is nice
- It's clean. I now know that there are a lot of services the community offers
- Neighborhood watch
- Parks, festivals, Farmers Market
- The parks and festivals and Community Center activities
- They keep the City very clean

### Precinct 13

- Greenbelt police are vigilant. Vigilant policing for bad people (terrorist). Cameras to watch peoples activities/or terrorism
- I like the music festivals, movie theater, New Deal Café, Co-operative grocery store, library, Aquatic Center, Greenbelt Lake, Pumpkin Walk, no Kill Animal Shelter, Co-op Nursery School and Community Center, theater – creative kids camp
- I like the sense of community and inclusion. I like the music at the New Deal Café and in the City Square. I like the events like Pumpkin Carving and Walk, Greenman Festival, Artful Afternoon, etc. I like the cultural and artistic value of these plus The Greenbelt Arts Center, Community Center and GATE
- Seeing police in the parking lots at Greenway Center
- Service to the elderly population and schools
- Swimming pool
- The Roosevelt Center and Lake Greenbelt

### Precinct 18

- Community activities, Farmers Market, Pumpkin Walk
- Community events and being environmentally conscious of our impact
- Parks and location
- The many activities and arts available; the library
- They don't go over budget

### Early Voting

- Activities for seniors – News Review
- Activities offered. Library. Banks, Safeway, Giant, Target and Metro. The ability to get to Metro by bus. Snow removal
- All the programs for families
- Arts and fitness activities. Farmer's Market. Recycle. Annual fairs and festivals
- Enjoy the various events, accessibility and hours. Free movies
- Friendly, cohesive. City employees care about us. All employees including police, trash, office, etc. very good, friendly and courteous
- GHI, Co-ops, affordable housing
- Green spaces/Aquatic Center. Everything
- Greenman Festival
- Greens, quiet, Fire Department, American Legion, drive-ability, all the churches. My grandfather was a plumber on the original building of the town
- Has housing for all incomes, green initiatives, schools
- I love Buddy Attick Park, the green spaces, community orientedness (like the Community Center) and small businesses. I like the walkability of Old Greenbelt
- I love the Community Center and Aquatic Center
- Parks, lakes, programs
- Physical exercise offerings. arts and entertainment offerings for all ages – very creative
- Programs, accessibility to contact City services
- Recycling, green initiatives including gardening, composting, and rain barrel initiatives
- The Community Center, senior classes and trips. The library, the health fair, the Farmer's Market, Labor Day activities. I love Greenbelt because it is a busy community for all ages
- The level of services/programs and quantity
- The parks, trails, and playgrounds. We love Buddy Attick Park
- The pool and the arts programs
- The theater, Co-op, Farmer's Market, city and engineering facilities, the people, the greenness, the lake, services close, i.e., bank, post office, library
- Well maintained community. Quick response to any issues

### Mailed/delivered

- Cleanliness and sanitation
- Inclusivity efforts. Co-op store, community center, aquatic fitness center, Roosevelt Center, Farmers Market
- Movie theatre, New Deal, Makerspace, Roosevelt Center. Help from staff in Senior Services at City Hall (GAIL). Sense of community. Like that Mayor will meet with an individual
- So many things to do. And Greenbelt cares about its older citizens

### Web

- Activities within the community
- Availability of programs and facilities for families
- Classes such as ballet and summer programs for kids
- Co-op
- Co-ops, activities, City Center

- Everything! Theater, events, Buddy Attick Park, News Review. City (as opposed to GHI) staff have been extremely polite and helpful
- Greenspace and historic preservation
- Greenspace and recreation
- Lots of amenities and services for people of all ages
- Lots to do for all ages, close to home
- Love having an open space for everyone to use. My kids have used the camps and nursery school. Love community events like Artful Afternoon
- Old Greenbelt Theatre, grocery and pharmacy Co-Op. No parking meters
- Recreation Department
- The government services -- public works, trash/recycling, police, and fire -- are awesome. Many of the issues folks have in other parts of P.G. (or Maryland as a whole) are not a problem for us thanks to our local government and public workers
- The parks and green spaces, walkability, the lake, economic diversity, community spirit, laid back attitude
- The services and the fact that the city does an excellent job of snow removal
- Wonderful parks and activities for kids

## **Walkability/Accessibility and Convenient Location**

### Precinct 3

- Ability to walk to the center and use of recreation activities. Labor Day Fest
- Able to walk many places, but not to Safeway; 193 is a hazard/eyesore. Library, Co-op
- Access to rest of area/location of work
- Accessibility - everything is close to home!
- Accessibility to medical facilities and other enterprises
- Availability of everything and it is children friendly
- Being new to Greenbelt, I like that everything is conveniently located. Other than work outside of Greenbelt there is no need to leave the area
- Can do everything here without needing to drive
- Close knit, accessible services
- Convenience
- Convenience of nearby Town Center
- Convenient
- Easy access to shopping
- Everything I need is here in the City
- Everything is accessible by walking. There are several green spaces and parks to enjoy with family
- Everything is walkable in central Greenbelt. Makes it feel very connected
- How convenient everything is
- I like having a grocery store, restaurants, and a library within walking distance to my party
- I live in GHI and love being able to walk to the lake, Community Center, Roosevelt Center, library. I have a car but the bus stop is two blocks from my house- convenient and good to have options
- It's a very close and working community. As a senior things and places are close, that serves me well



- It's walkable and relatively quiet
- Its walkability
- Location, walkability in City center
- Proximity to Metro
- Services within walking distance; a path practically anywhere one wants to walk
- Small town atmosphere with advantages of a large city
- Small town feel that is accessible to D.C. and College Park
- So much is walkable and family-oriented
- The people are the major attraction plus being able to get conveniently around to all the necessities of life
- The walkability and closeness and affordability
- The walkability of shopping, recreation, and library
- The walkable nature of the Old Greenbelt area and easy access to businesses in Roosevelt Center
- Town Center. Walkability
- Walkability (4)
- Walkability - access to stores, restaurants, recreation
- Walkability in Old Town
- Walkability, and how everyone is nice. Good maintenance
- Walkability, trees, lake, streams
- Walkability. Co-op, Roosevelt Center, movie theatre
- Walkability. Friendly neighbors
- Walkable (2)
- Walkable access to library, fitness center, and Co-op
- Walkable. Small town feel
- Walking

#### Precinct 6

- Being walkable
- Close to or accessible to gas, groceries, shops; community setting like Columbia – with a Community Center i.e. village
- Close to shopping, interstates, restaurants, church and excellent snow removal program. Good place to raise a family
- Ease of access to resources and services
- I can walk to anything I need. Well almost anything
- Informal access by foot and bicycle
- Inter walk way system in GHI area
- Walkability
- Walkability – Center City. Easy convenient access to events and services. Walking paths – lake walk etc. Greenbelt theater, library, fitness and recreation center, museum
- Walkability and greenspace in Old Greenbelt
- Walkability and public transportation to amenities
- Walkable (3)
- Walkable paths, shopping within Greenbelt itself
- Walking paths- Roosevelt Center

Precinct 8

- Metro access
- Location
- Path to Metro
- Close to shopping, Beltway, 295
- It's a world away from D.C.
- Convenience to College Park (I live in Greenbelt West)
- Convenience (shops, restaurants, public transportation)
- Walkability. Convenience to Metro, shops, and several main roadways
- Everything is close by - shopping, doctor, movies, food
- Accessibility
- Everything is close by and it is safe
- Proximity to D.C. and nature
- Access to various modes of transportation, roads, and location of basic needs (stores, etc.).  
Green space
- Everything is easily accessible
- It has a lot of potential but needs more growth and development
- In walking distance

Precinct 13

- Closeness of residents, easy access to community services
- Convenience to the Beltway and BWI Parkway; convenience to facilities (banks, post office, some shopping areas)
- Good access to BW, Baltimore, Annapolis
- It is close to the Beltway. Grocery stores and pharmacies are close
- Location and accessible
- Near shopping, Metro
- Proximity
- The convenience to everything to the Mall to Beltway and schools
- The walkability and the center with so many things in close proximity
- Very accessible to various means of transportation

Precinct 18

- Access to roads leaving city. Quiet
- Close
- Close to everything
- I enjoy the conveniences of everything being in close proximity
- Location and accessibility
- That most things are walkable.

Early Voting

- Access to bicycle paths. Proximity to College Park amenities. Highway access for work
- Accessibility
- Closeness, convenience of stores, roadways to 495/295
- Convenience
- Convenience to major highways, bus and train services

- Convenient location
- Everything is within walking distance – Old Greenbelt
- I love being so close to everything I need. The bike path, the Metro, and the highway. Yet it feels like a hidden gem in the suburbs
- It is a walkable community
- It's walkability to essential services, i.e., City building, churches, Co-op, library, Aquatic Center, etc.
- Location and accessibility to activities
- Location of area
- The close connections to shopping centers, schools, and the Greenbelt Metro Station
- Very convenient to shopping, etc.
- Walkability
- Walkability and the town center Co-op, Community Center, library, restaurant and movie theater
- Walkability, sense of community
- Walkability. I walked here from my home and will walk back
- Walkable community. Planned community with trees a priority
- Walkable to Roosevelt Center, Community Center and library
- Walking
- Walking and close to work

#### Mailed/delivered

- Services and entertainment are in close proximity to my house. I love walking the lakes and parks. It's close to 495 and 295
- Walk to Co-op, movies, Joes
- Walkability

#### Web

- Ability to meet my needs without owning a car
- Location
- The proximity to services, events, amenities, and retail
- Proximity to Metro. The potential promise of development
- Easy to walk to things, the pool, community center, library
- Ability to walk to activities, stores, etc.
- Being able to walk within parts of the community
- Affordable living close to the city
- Ability to walk to everything safely. The sidewalk system is truly top notch
- The closeness and accessibility of everything

### **Natural Setting**

#### Precinct 3

- Inclusive, friendly, Greenbelt Lake
- Green space, community feeling
- Environment

Precinct 6

- Green
- Greenbelt is green, walkable and quiet. It is not trying to become paved over and hip. Do not sell us out to developers (as they did in Arlington County, Virginia, where I lived before)
- Greenbelts progressive history and present scale, proximity to DC and Metro, trees, sense of place
- Inside GHI – small town feel. Very safe (relative to other areas in DMV). But even in Greenbelt outside GHI – it losses the feel and I could be anywhere in middle America – bummer
- Its greenness (trees, landscaping, paths) small town flavor (I live in Old Greenbelt)
- Lots of green space/woods left; community feel
- Small town experience, green

Precinct 8

- Keeping Greenbelt beautiful
- Parks and lakes

Precinct 13

- Natural beauty
- That it is green – beautiful trees
- The green. The trees, nature, parks, etc.
- The Greenbelt Lake

Precinct 18

- Quietness
- Trees
- Trees, greenery

Early Voting

- Cleanliness, greenness (trees)
- Green
- Parks
- Tree and walk ways

Mailed/delivered

- The beautiful landscaping and nature (trees, flowers, etc.)
- Trees, community. We love it here

Web

- Green area
- Green community, trees, parks
- Natural environment. Keep it wooded!
- The trees and nature is beautiful

## Multiple/Miscellaneous Likes

### Precinct 3

- Active, concerned citizens; community involvement. Diverse community. Farmers Market, New Deal Café, Reel and Meal, movie theatre, environmental action
- Active, friendly, walkable, Community Center offerings (Parks and Recreation Department)
- Affordable and walkable and green in old town/central Greenbelt. I love the old theatre-has character!
- Affordable housing, friendly citizens, accessible shopping and recreation, lots of opportunities to participate and interact with other residents
- Affordable rent. The Lake. Proximity to NASA-Goddard
- Clean
- Cleanliness, orderliness, historic architecture, cultural activities
- Co-ops. Walkability. Historic nature
- Community involvement, walkability to services
- Community spirit and City programs/services
- Community. Walkability. Nearby everything at Center
- Cooperative spirit; friendliness; number and quality of educational and recreational programs; the theatre!
- Diversity, close walkable services, library open on SUNDAYS! Farmers Market and all the community events
- Diversity. Social justice. Arts
- Everything is right around the corner. I would like to see more park and recreation classes for ages 21-40. I have health conditions and I could not find a class on my off days, Tuesday-Wednesday, in the morning or afternoon
- Everything. Lived here 7 years in the fifties and came back again "for goo" in 2002, as a widow
- Family activities held on a manageable scale (not too big, not too small). Beautiful parks, involved community
- Focus on inclusivity and diversity. Arts. Parks
- Friendliness, number of community activities, Town Center businesses, library, Aquatic Center, walking/biking paths, safety
- Friendly people for the most. Good programs and services for community (Greenbelt Cares)
- Friendly, good community events, recreation facilities
- GHI feels like a small town, but not other areas of Greenbelt. Holiday celebrations. Greenbelt as a whole is large, so I cannot say for other areas
- Good services and leave us alone
- Greenbelt Lake, movie theatre, Co-op, nearby shopping, ERHS
- I believe the new city manager needs to be more pro-active with citizens and her employees
- I love the community feel, events, and being able to walk to the Roosevelt Center for so many things. It's convenient
- I love the fact that in this urban sprawl Greenbelt still feels like a little secret neighborhood that still feels small and welcoming

- I love the green. We love living in an old-growth forest area, the walkable neighborhood, and the park
- I would not live anywhere else
- Inclusive and non-judgmental, diverse, progressive, green. Lots of interesting activities and events; locations are convenient. Residents and visitors are lovely people, very open and engaging
- It is a community - keep it at a size where the individual matters and can impact issues. Community Center activities and classes!!
- It's not congested. It's clean. It's quiet. Little crime
- Its beauty; its friendliness and access to all things necessary
- Lots and lots of choices for every age every day
- Mature trees, small town feel, aquatic and fitness center, responsiveness of government, Co-op grocery and pharmacy
- Neighborhood - very welcoming. Helpful staff. Diverse. Range of activities
- Neighbors. Decent local schools. Festivals
- Nothing, it's where I can afford to live
- Of course- I love Greenbelt! But need to move forward. Push forward on making it a greener community. But also an innovative place
- Old Greenbelt and everything about it
- Pedestrian friendly, lots of trees and open space, well-maintained, quiet and peaceful, well-policed, strong sense of community and citizen involvement
- People. Walkability. Range of amenities. Activism/volunteerism
- Pretty much everything
- Progressivity
- Quiet. Proximity to neighbors, services, movies
- Safety. Walkability. THE LAKE
- Sense of community; GAFC - excellent; employees- excellent retention, helpful staff who know the City, their jobs, other City services; excellent Recreation Department; Farmers Market; animal shelter
- The activities, people, and community spirit; convenience of walking to everything we need
- The close-knit, small town feel. The walkability to parks, services and community
- The community feel with events, all the "green space" and playgrounds, the walkability
- The community - local weekend activities, ability to walk, general safety, the pool and facilities and now we have a Farmers Market
- The natural setting. Nice to live amidst the "natural world." Also, the "walkability" convenience and good transit connections (bus, The Bus, rail)
- The original planned community and access to Metro (Also, Chris Cherry is a treasure)
- The people. Closeness of services - never have to drive! Caring atmosphere; inclusiveness
- The people. The ability to walk to stores and activity
- The presence of Greenbelt Forest Preserve, Greenbelt Lake. Unique, historic ambience retained. Small town feel. Cooperative spirit. Green initiatives. Accessibility for disabled and seniors. Programs for youth and seniors. Theatre, New Deal Cafe
- The sense of community; the low crime (in Old Greenbelt); the green spaces, especially the Forest Preserve (keep the trails there!); services like the Greenbelt

Connection (this saved me when I had a post-operative infection in my right foot and could not drive myself to the doctor's appointment

- The sense of true community. The increasing diversity. Roosevelt Center, the Lake, the Aquatics Center. The summer camps
- The surrounding of "green" trees, etc. and the lake. The other services are expensive and not really inclusive of the current population of the City
- Togetherness, small community, neighborliness, convenience, clean town
- Trails, Greenbelt Park. I used to really love adult book club at library but PGCMLS has changed focus reducing adult programming; not okay!
- Very walkable, good parks and activities, great library
- Walkability and family friendliness
- Walkability, community cohesion, community activism, care for Greenbelt amenities
- Walkability, community cohesiveness
- Walkability, community engagement/activism
- Walkability, community feel
- Walkability, cooperative goods, friendly
- Walkability, Farmers Market, movie theatre, community, knowing neighbors. Trees and nature and birds
- Walkability, friendliness
- Walkability, sense of community
- Walkability, tree cover, forest preserve, arts - visual, music, theatre, programs, so many activities/clubs to become involved
- Walkability, trees
- Walkability, trees, woods, the way that the GHI houses are arranged (parking separate), diversity, interesting people
- Walkability, woods, GHI, New Deal Café, movie theatre, GAC, co-op, Labor Day parade
- Walkability! Community!
- Walkability. Enriching community events year round
- Walkability. Visible City Council, Public Works. Love the Department of Recreation classes and City of Greenbelt classes
- Walkable in Old Greenbelt; good programs; feeling of communal good
- Walkable, lots of kids' activities, safe

#### Precinct 6

- A clean, safe environment to live in. Very involved city officials
- Accessibility, Community Center activities, library
- All the kooks
- Community oriented, walkable, safe
- Community; center; activities
- Co-op store, great place to raise children, keep green land around us
- Co-op; library; walkability
- Everything
- Friends; garden plots; beer at the New Deal
- GHI, it is a community. Can walk, ride to center

- Green space and woodlands – Recreation department programs, cultural events, friendly people, safety
- I like how active Greenbelt is with tons of activities for all ages. I like the environmental emphasis and lots of trees and nature. I like historical nature of Greenbelt and presence of Co-op
- I love how quiet and beautiful it is. I like the historic elements of Old Greenbelt. The availability of activities, parks, services, etc.
- It's great
- Its physical layout and the concerns for all people
- Lots of active groups – recreation department is great. I like all the open spaces, the woods and trees
- Love the Co-op; grocery – Miss Joe; free Greenbelt News Review
- Natural beauty; family activities; walkability; community involvement; friendly people
- Need more affordable housing for seniors and those on limited income
- Neighbors safety; activist spirit; green initiative; history of GHI
- People diversity – walkable – trees
- People, activities, friendliness, etc.
- Quiet; lake and wildlife; GHI units are affordable; library; good friends and familiar faces; OGT
- Sense of community. Involvement in community. High amount and quality of services and maintenance of facilities/infrastructure, etc.
- Sense of community; overall good city services especially police and library and community center; Greenbelt Center especially Co-op
- Services; activities; friendliness; neatness; cleanliness; attractiveness
- Small community, police, public services
- Small town feel, unique history, liberalness, Farmers Market, local community events
- Snow removal, walkability
- The community. We work together, we care about the long-term, and we're all in it together. We love that it's walkable, weird and special
- The people, the amount of trees, forest and walking paths. Also, like that it is quiet
- The people. The Co-op, café and movie theater. The Forest Preserve, the Lake
- The people; museum
- The progressive, inclusive friendliness, the beauty of our town, its walkability
- The walkability of Greenbelt and the Community Center and community events
- The walkways, trails, lake, safe feeling here
- Trails, walkability, devotion to the arts
- Walkability, many activities for all ages
- Walkability, recreation and social opportunities, people
- Walkability, Roosevelt Center
- Walkability; recreation programs for all ages
- Well-managed

#### Precinct 8

- Beautiful Parks and trails. I love the community events like Greenbelt Day
- Culture, environment, the people, convenient to Metro
- Emphasis on green living, diversity



- Great
- Love the history and our old Greenbelt Theatre and native trails, especially new Stream Valley Trail in Greenbelt Station
- Public transportation access. Concern for people and the environment
- Quiet. Only the Mall that needs to be updated
- Still new to area
- The diversity as well as the proximity to D.C.
- The diversity. The beautiful parks. The wonderful community members
- The relationship to FDR, the number of middle-class residents, the great parks
- The trees. The diversity
- Very close to everything and not too big

#### Precinct 13

- Cleanliness; Pride of citizens
- Close to main roads; Farmers Market; Labor Day Festival
- Convenience/variety of people
- Convenient to major roads; suburban feeling; parks/trails/"green living"
- Diversity, affordable, close to District of Columbia and points North. Senior incentives and programs, close bus stops, walking trails. What's not to love?
- Everything (2)
- Friendly people, centrally located – parks
- Friendly, well-maintained community. City is a convenient location to Baltimore and District of Columbia
- It's as close to living in a small Maine town as it's possible to be in an urban environment, small (relatively), cozy, lots of activities for all ages, engaged citizens, and a (mostly) cooperative spirit in the Old City core
- Personal space
- Schools; safety; facilities; convenience/location; diversity
- That it is run competently. It is also generally quiet and friendly. Good recreational facilities, like we have, are a major advantage
- The "Mayberry" feel – the small town friendliness. The Co-op is terrific as is the county library
- The location, people and events
- The sense of inclusiveness and love for nature as reflected in various city properties (Forest Preserve; Greenbelt Path) and city – sponsored activities and events
- Walkable; Mayberry like setting

#### Precinct 18

- Activities. Numerous parks
- Aquatic facilities. Location in relation to D.C. and Baltimore. Friendly people
- Clean, safe, number of parks and lakes, close to the highway
- Close knit, great outdoors, trails, infrastructure
- Diversity of population, diversity of programs and services. Dedication of police, fire, and city services, City Council, and countless co-ops and volunteers who contribute to improve life in Greenbelt
- Green space. Shopping. Easy access to highways

- Mostly everything
- Old and new Greenbelt. Convenience to shopping and proximity to roadways. Safe, good-looking homes and community
- Proximity to work. Progressive values
- Quiet. Friendly. Historic
- The greenery, parks, housing, and shopping
- The people and Greenbelt Lake
- The people. Proximity
- The scenic beauty and diversity

#### Early Voting

- Buddy Attick Lake and GAFC are the best aspects of the community. A close second includes all of the events/festivals and Farmer's Market
- Buddy Attick Lake; Access to 495/295; convenient to shopping; activities; Roosevelt Center
- Closeness and cleanliness
- Community cohesiveness, green spaces, walkability
- Diversity; New Deal Café; theater; Buddy Attick Park and walking trail around lake
- Everything within walking distance. Friendly neighbors. Local theatres
- Friendly, supportive atmosphere. Small town attraction with big City access and amenities
- Historic charm. Sense of community. Walkability
- I love the walkability. The activities available – one Saturday there were activities all over the place every hour of the day. It was amazing. I love the library
- Inexpensive housing and good schools
- It's peaceful, walkable and full of nature
- Location and police department
- Natural areas. Friendliness. Walkability. Assistance with aging-in-place
- Neighborliness. Walkability. Co-op, New Deal and Greenbelt theater
- Neighbors, convenient transit
- Peaceful park like environment, relatively quiet neighborhood
- People. Green space. Activities and services
- Plants. Greenery. Shops are close and in walking distance. Quiet – most places well lighted
- Safety, Co-op, City Council, Old Greenbelt theater
- The people, parks, theatre, and almost everything else
- The people, the awesome public works, the ability to walk to most locations
- Walkability – close knit family feel
- Walkability and affordability
- Walkability, bikeability, high level of citizen involvement
- Walkability, civic engagement, Old Greenbelt Theatre and arts programs
- Walkability, classes, GAFC
- Walkability, library, friendliness, clean streets and public areas
- Walkability, services, Buddy Attick, trails, fitness center, the people
- Walkability. Lots of trees. Abundance of wildlife.
- What I enjoy about living in the Greenbelt community: the conveniences of most/many things seniors need that are readily available to them. Transportation to and from grocery stores, most doctor's office, hospital close by. The knowledge that I live in one of the only

severing Co-op community that was built for returning veterans after WW II. I love the fact that there's the "GAIL" program that is always available to assist seniors. "Bless Mrs. Batey" and her staff of workers. There may be activities and programs I'm unaware of, I enjoy the programs I'm aware of

#### Mailed/delivered

- Community events, neighbors, forest preserve
- Good people, good activities
- Green and clean and walkable
- It's a neighborhood! I love my neighbors. The Co-op grocery store, New Deal, Police Department, movie theatre. Walkability
- It's volunteers and New Deal Café. Greenbelt Lake (Buddy Attick). Good for seniors
- Location, green space, trees and parks
- Safety and green plants. Also walkable
- Sense of community; green areas, older mature trees, beauty of its nature; much kindness and friendliness of citizens
- Small town atmosphere. Attractive community, trees, parks, paths
- The "walkability" and small town atmosphere; friendliness; natural beauty, especially the lake
- The people, the green, the convenience of shopping in the Town Center, the lake, the library and more
- Walkability, community services, eccentricity, uniqueness, social conscious
- Walkability, safety, arts, Farmer's Market

#### Web

- A sense of community and of empowerment to deal with problems as they arise. When there is a problem, unfailingly a group will form to do something about it. Also, the walkability of Greenbelt allows for many people to be out in public who in other settings might stay confined to their living quarters. Unusual behavior and possible disabilities are more easily accepted here. Lots of places to meet, lots of room for people to be different. However, Old Greenbelt continues to be almost exclusively white. I hope this will change in the coming decades. Disclaimer: we are white
- A very walkable community with many core urban facilities within reach
- Being able to walk places easily; amount of sidewalks available, the lake, Roosevelt Center, the Co-Op, The New Deal Cafe venues, the festivals and activities
- Close to transit options
- Community and everything within reach, good schools and neighborhoods
- Convenience for services and highway access
- Friendliness of people in our community, the different get-togethers and festivals, the walkability of GHI and the feeling that we take care of each other. I also like that the mayor regularly participates in community activities and is quite personable
- Green space, trees, walkability, access to public transportation, affordability and safety
- Good location
- Having a pleasant walk to the grocery store, pool, movie theater, library, playgrounds and restaurants

- I like that Greenbelt is potentially self-sustaining. I like the town center and with its movie theater, grocery store, and dessert shop. The community really seems to look out for each other and be invested in the prosperity of the community as a whole
- I like that it is close to commuter routes. I like that I live close to a pool for my spouse
- I love that you turn off from a cement and asphalt landscape on the roads around Old Greenbelt and then suddenly it's like you're in the woods. Everything feels calmer and more peaceful as soon as you make that turn. The green space, the lake, the trees - Old Greenbelt is an oasis in a concrete jungle
- I love the 'can do' spirit of Greenbelt. People see problems/issues and get engaged and inspire others. I love the social justice/social action focus. I love the 'green forest preserve' and the 'green GHI areas'. I am very concerned about discussions to intrude into these spaces with trails, maglev development, forest destruction for road widening and the loss of density protections envisioned in the proposed zoning ordinance
- It is a walkable community
- It's close to work, and I'm within walking distance of anything I need
- It's easy to travel without a car (e.g. walking to the store, taking a bus to the Greenbelt Metro Station to go to D.C., New York, etc.)
- It's sense of community. The Farmers Market, the newspaper, the movie theater and the responsiveness of City government
- Lived here 65 of 65 years. It's my home town
- Location
- Most of the people who live here, doctors availability, different activities, and sometime, good transportation
- Peace and quiet. Amenities are close, being able to see GREEN
- Philosophy of cooperation, history, quiet green environment
- Proximity to job
- Residents care about our community. I appreciate all our great amenities. It's family and pet friendly. It's walkable and bikeable (more so in Center town) and there are many recreational facilities (center town again)
- Roosevelt Center, walkability, great services, sense of community
- Shopping centers are close by within walking or even driving
- Small town feel, walkability in the old town
- Small-town feel, relatively easy access to most places in the Washington Metropolitan area
- The ability to walk or bicycle to all the services and retail outlets I need for daily living
- The design of the original planned community
- The ease in getting around with it driving. Close by grocery, library, car repair, barber shop, credit union, Maker Space, New Deal, COMMUNITY CENTER, theater (movie, performance), the forest, the lake, the federal park, NASA, Agriculture Research
- The green initiatives and community spirit
- The layout that has been the foundation of the community since its inception. Roosevelt Center, and the New Deal Cafe. The New Deal Cafe is a gem that draws people to Greenbelt and encourages the growing diversity. The Cafe must be supported whenever necessary. If the Cafe ever closed it would really hurt Greenbelt. The Movie Theater! Whether or not it makes money - it is good that the City saved and took over this wonderful Theater. I think that the Theater could be used for more events in addition to movies. For example - it could serve as a larger venue for musical concerts. I support diversifying the use and purpose of the Theater (in addition to movies) if that would help it thrive

- The people, the activities. Everything is well-kempt. It's a beautiful city
- The Woodland Preserve behind my house. The Tugwell Room at the Greenbelt Library. The exhibit space at the Community Center. The Greenbelt Museum. The Aquatic and Fitness Center. Greenbelt Lake
- The residents and location between Washington DC and Baltimore
- Walkability (4)
- Walkability (at least in GHI). Labor Day Festival. New Deal Cafe. Greenbelt Museum, Theater, Arts Center. The lake. The woods. Greenbelt Park. Diversity
- Walkability and close to D.C.
- Walkability, grocery. Wish there was an ATM
- Walkability. Friendly neighborhoods.
- Walkability; range of activities; proximity to roads and metro

### Least Liked about Greenbelt

#### 3. Describe what you like least about the Greenbelt community.

*Note that a number in parentheses after a response indicates how many individuals gave that same response.*

### Nothing/Don't Know

#### Precinct 3

- Can't think of anything
- Can't think of anything at this time
- Difficult to say - I like it a lot!
- No complaints
- No real complaints!
- Nothing
- Nothing really! All is either good or in progress!
- So far I haven't encountered any "least likes." I've been here since 2003

#### Precinct 6

- Don't know
- Love every aspect
- N/A: I'm pretty happy here
- Nothing
- Nothing yet
- Very little

#### Precinct 8

- A good community
- New to area
- No comment

- None (2)
- None at this time
- Not sure yet

#### Precinct 13

- I don't know
- I really like the community; I really do not have any criticism. It's fine as it is
- Not sure
- Nothing (2)
- Nothing really
- Peaceful, uses/no violence
- Unsure – very happy with community

#### Precinct 18

- No concern here
- Nothing (2)

#### Early Voting

- None (2)
- Not much
- Nothing (4)
- Nothing comes to mind

#### Mail and Delivery

- It has everything - no complaints

#### Web

- All is good
- None; we're very happy here

## **Services/Amenities**

#### Precinct 3

- Lack of information (in advance) about the street sweeper's schedule makes it impossible to benefit from this service (ongoing request has not been answered)
- Lack of services provided to East and West Greenbelt
- Need more programming for families with young children where both parents work (i.e., not during the typical work day)
- Not enough senior services
- Parking on the street. Our spots get taken when there is a big event because we don't have reserved parking
- Safeway needs to be updated
- Snow removal
- Some of the playgrounds are old and need work
- The homes and yards are old and often not well-maintained

- The pool has become a dirty place through lack of commitment to the needs of the cleaning staff. The pool water is too cold to swim comfortably
- Wish there were place to shop (clothing) and eateries

#### Precinct 8

- Lack of recycling locations
- Need better street lights
- No dog park. No bus to access park
- No path from Greenbelt Station homes to Metro
- No path to Metro from Greenbelt Station to Metro
- Overflowing dumpsters and cats all over
- Timelines for heavy snow removal
- Uneven distribution of City services

#### Precinct 13

- Activities for young people (not seniors) with disabilities
- Better litter collection
- Litter everywhere
- Need more good lighting
- The infrastructure of facilities are dated; a renovation is necessary and would bring more interest

#### Precinct 18

- Few community activities
- Lack of family services
- Not much athletic activities for people who work daily. Seems that activities are catered for seniors
- Trash strewn around
- We need meter maids

#### Early Voting

- Cell phone reception is non-existent in Charlestowne Village. Need more cell towers
- Dog shit. They still don't pick it all up
- Fair equity of services for all areas. Why is Springhill Lake Recreation Center given used equipment from Youth Center in Historic Greenbelt. Not good
- Hard to find free activities for kids with working parents
- Lack of pedestrian services
- Lack of playgrounds at Franklin Park
- The extra garbage in the lake, especially after a weekend
- We do not always have access to the programs if we do not live in historic Greenbelt such as total recycling and food scraps, etc.
- Would love to see less litter, more placement of trash and recycling containers in places litter is left

### Mailed/delivered

- I wish Greenbelt city could persuade the US Postal system to bring back our mailbox. It was removed because someone broke it trying to mail a huge package on a holiday when the PO was not open in front of 8 Court Southway
- Physicians needed in Roosevelt Center again (as in past - hard for seniors to get care now)
- The old trees are poorly cared for, historic old trees are not pruned to maintain their health

### Web

- Homeless folk, but we try hard for them
- Lax enforcement of occupancy limit in multi-family dwellings
- Most activities and services seemed to be geared more towards seniors and families
- No ATM
- Nothing I don't really like. I wish I could get Verizon FiOS in my complex though
- Thought that things should be free or cheap
- Trash only picks up once a week
- Would like to see more youth programs

## Transportation/Traffic/Noise

### Precinct 3

- Access to Metro
- Amount of parking in center. Restrictions of ride-on bus - limited ability of residents to use to get to/from medical appointments
- Commute times to work; proximity to Beltway
- Division on parts by highways; too dangerous to walk/bike to
- Greenbelt Road – too many traffic lights
- Greenbelt Road = commuter highway, traffic
- I wish it was closer to the Metro stop
- Limited local transportation, e.g., circulator bus
- Not enough connection between "Old" Greenbelt and the rest of the City. Greenbelt Road is not well-developed. Is there any way someone in GHI could use public transportation to get to Shrom? Or even to the post office?
- Not good bicycle connections to the surrounding communities. Kenilworth, Greenbelt Rd and the highways fragment the City
- Occasional concerns about public transport schedules
- Parking
- Parking outside my home. On street parking is a challenge at times, especially at night and during the winter after a snowfall
- Public transit is cumbersome/takes a while
- Risky location for constant highway "improvements"
- Some areas of Greenbelt are hard to get to without a car
- Southway and Centerway being a thoroughfare
- Surrounding traffic
- The horrendous intersection where Legion Drive meets Lakecrest Drive. Patrons of the Legion and especially Belle point Office Park regularly blow through the Legion Drive stop sign and jump in front of Lakecrest traffic. It is a terrible designed intersection. It should not



have been built that way in the first place. I'm not sure exactly how to fix it, but SOMETHING needs to be done

- The sound of the motorcycles on the Beltway at 11pm in the evening
- The traffic conditions between the sections of the community and the lack of safe walkways between the sections of the community
- Through traffic
- Too much traffic on major nearby roads
- Traffic noise from highways - but there's nothing to be done about that
- Traffic on Beltway and Parkway
- Waiting for a bus more than 10 minutes; rush hours

#### Precinct 6

- 193
- Bikers not adhering to other traffic
- Connected access to Greenbelt West by foot and bicycle
- High speed of traffic and violation of traffic laws (mostly stop signs) on Crescent and Ridge Roads
- I dislike Greenbelt Road
- I live on Greenhill Road and dislike the peace was disturbed by the ride on bus that now goes by my house fast and running cars off road, making too much noise and 2 buses have hard time passing. Each candidate that I mentioned this to says that speed bumps aren't in the budget. This problem was created without the consent of the residents and will be the reason I move out of Greenbelt
- I would like the bus to be every 30 minutes on the weekend and easier to get from Old Greenbelt to the Giant, the new housing development and Safeway via walking and bus
- Speed cameras in various places
- The beltway and increase size of beltway
- The Beltways and threat to increase size of beltways
- The length of my commute (can't be changed)
- Traffic (3)
- Traffic – Greenbelt Road/Kenilworth /Beltway
- Traffic congestion due to proximity to highways
- Traffic on Greenbelt Road going to and from shopping centers and within shopping centers

#### Precinct 8

- How congested Greenbelt Road can get
- Metro access
- No METRO PATH currently. This was promised years ago to Greenbelt Station residents but we still don't have Metro access as envisioned for our "transit-oriented" community
- Parking in Greenbelt Station community
- Public transportation limitations. After a certain point during the evening you are only able to take Uber/Lyft or taxi out of Greenbelt
- Roads in the apartment community
- Still no Metro access, divide between "old" and "new" Greenbelt
- Streets need some work

- The fact that Greenbelt Station doesn't go to Greenbelt Elementary
- Traffic (2)
- Traffic congestion

#### Precinct 13

- Buses stop running really early and it takes 2 buses to get to Beltway
- Greenbelt Road needs better pedestrian walkways – cars drive too fast
- Speed cameras seem like a trap for people new to the area. One is located at the bottom of a steep hill
- That we are trifurcated, and bisected by a major highway
- Too much traffic (2)
- Traffic congestion
- Traffic light timing at Greenway Center needs to be better
- Transportation alternatives

#### Precinct 18

- 193/BW Pkwy cutting through - speeding on 193 (in the school zone)
- Aggressive driving and speeding
- No easy way to get to College Park Metro. It would be nice to have sidewalks all the way up and down Hanover Pkwy to truly make this area walkable, without walking on the side of the road
- Traffic (2)
- Traffic lights that are phased for B/W Pkwy and not local residents. Sometimes residents are too partisan toward D.N.C.

#### Early Voting

- Greenbelt Road
- Limited transportation
- Make it easier to cross Kenilworth at Ivy Lane, 193 at Hanover Parkway
- No bus service on Sunday
- Not enough access from different parts of town
- People driving too fast on Ridge Road, Southway, and Crescent
- Public transportation is limited on the weekends. Would like to see public transportation to service Franklin Park apartments on Sundays
- Sounds of drag racing
- Traffic noise from Beltway (2)
- Traffic on Greenbelt Road
- Traffic, sirens, noise
- Walking access to the areas cut-off by Route 201 and Route 193

#### Mailed/delivered

- Buses, beltway noise - traffic
- Closeness to beltway
- No Metro path

- Poor bus transportation to Metro stations on the weekends
- Sirens! Helicopters! Traffic! Fragmentation. Traffic. Lights!

### Web

- Difficulty getting around by bike or foot without interacting with fast moving traffic. Granted that some of the paths are 'off the beaten track' and do traverse some green areas, negotiating major thoroughfare crossings (193, 201, 495, 95) is not easy, if not impossible
- Greenbelt road needs to have better options to cross
- Highways - both that they split up the city and that folks drive too fast after getting off them and onto local roads
- Noise from the Beltway and Parkway
- So near busy roads
- Some narrow streets in Old Greenbelt seem to create parking challenges for larger multi-car families. We functionally can't support two-way traffic with cars parked on both sides of some of our narrower streets, and this poses a danger to pedestrians and drivers
- Super wide soul-sucking roads and over-wide, over-fast street design for outsiders passing through, not for us and for our community and economy
- Surrounded by highways, noisy. Community is carved up by the big roads. Greenbelt Road is terrible -- just a commuter sluice, unsafe for pedestrians and cyclists
- The absence of good bicycling infrastructure outside of Old Greenbelt. We need at least two more overpasses as described above. Until we get overpasses over the large roads, Greenbelt will remain divided by these roads. Also, Greenbelt Road needs to be renovated into a "Main Street." It is an awful, noisy, traffic-infested road now. Made for cars, not for people or bicycles
- the Beltway, the Parkway, and sometimes Kenilworth Avenue creating noise and bad air
- The potholes in Hanover Parkway
- The traffic around the high school
- The traffic that surrounds it
- To many buses
- Too much traffic
- Traffic and noise
- Traffic (3)

## **Economic and Community Development**

### Precinct 3

- Aged buildings, little to no investment in attracting the 20 and 30+ population, the apartment stock in downtown Greenbelt is a HUGE public health hazard. City should hold apartment companies accountable and make sure these buildings are legal and liveable
- Before I retired - the lack of local jobs
- Constant threats to retain Greenbelt character by development, MAGLEV. Would like to see empty office spaces filled, attract type of businesses (science, medical) would be great to help revitalize
- Development
- Development on Greenbelt Road. It's poor urban planning- unattractive, un-inviting. Hyattsville has made huge inroads- Greenbelt is falling behind

- Dirth of surrounding development- particularly good restaurants, etc.
- Eyesores everywhere. Tolerance for neglect, overgrown yards, poorly maintained common grounds
- I don't like the condition of the older apartments. I feel that the landlords that own the older apartments should upgrade the infrastructure so that modern-day technology can be used and the rent increase will be validated
- I'd like more restaurants. I miss the Thai place. I want more than fast food
- Incompetent pharmacy at the Co-op. I now go to CVS
- It does look and feel a bit like a lower-income community, but that is just part of the package
- Lack of (tasteful) economic development
- Lack of LOCAL businesses. Limited growth
- Need more upscale restaurants
- Not enough restaurants
- Quality of restaurants and shops/stores are disappointing, particularly in Roosevelt Center
- Roosevelt Center needs revitalization. Limited options for dining out and keeping our dollars in Greenbelt. Not enough single family homes for those who want to stay but need more space than GHI
- Run-down retail areas (Roosevelt Center and Beltway Plaza) with lack of appealing vendors. Resistance to change and improvements/development
- The Co-op. I think it could be and should be much better. I think the shopping center it's in NEEDS to get a makeover
- The current push to build more, pave more, expand, and lose the specialness of our town chasing money, big shops, and other "concrete economic gains" instead of being a nice place to live. If I want a modern fancy city, there are lots of places to choose from
- The vast areas of empty/declining office space and retail space
- Too many GHI townhouses/condos and not enough single-family homes

#### Precinct 6

- A sketchy element 9 small but unnerving); NDC can't get its act together; is so cheap it can't support neat businesses
- Any new development
- Lack of businesses in the area
- NIMBY-ism. The town is in a mega polis, and should not try to fight that. Instead use growth and development to become a model sustainable city. This will set it apart and attract money. Maybe even inspire other areas
- No nice restaurants; medical facilities; satellite services; nice clothing stores not like Beltway Plaza
- Not enough business money. Want to draw higher income. More money for schools

#### Precinct 8

- Beltway Plaza and similar rundown properties
- Infrastructure is older, abandoned buildings are scary and ugly, but it's not so bad
- Lack of healthy restaurants. I have to drive to College Park for non-fast food/chain options. Horrible options in Greenbelt

- Needs more aggressive development plan to stay competitive
- Not willing to grow!

#### Precinct 13

- A lot of the properties are older and have their issues
- Disparity in neighborhoods which is reflected in schools and representation
- Growing number of condos/townhouses being built
- Limited restaurants and shopping
  
- Not enough upscale restaurant options; I end up in District of Columbia, Bethesda, Rockville, Silver Springs or Virginia for dining options
- Total lack of any restaurants (restaurants are not fast food establishments, which we have far too many). For restaurants and decent shopping it is necessary to go to Bowie or Annapolis

#### Precinct 18

- Beautification - residents not caring about the welfare of the community

#### Early Voting

- Anti-business attitude. As a result, few restaurants or places to shop. I have to go to Bowie, Columbia or Silver Spring
- Distance from restaurants and shops that I actually want to go to (e.g., Columbia and Montgomery County) Prince George's County problem – not specifically Greenbelt – oh well
- Do not like when Eleanor Roosevelt High School students congregate in the Windsor Green community near the pool – kids are standing in the road and littering
- Increasing development
- Lack of economic development
- Possibility of more development

#### Mailed/delivered

- We don't work hard enough to protect what makes us special - green space, walkability, quiet, affordable

#### Web

- A lack of focus on keeping up the Roosevelt Center
- Also, if the Beltway is to be expanded, something needs to be done about the highway noise, again, it negatively impacts Greenbelt's quality of life, and residents may not want to choose to live here because of those constraints.
- Availability of decent affordable rental housing, lack of vibrant high density neighborhoods
- Awful cellphone coverage and lack of innovation for economic development
- Beltway Center Mall needs to be upgraded and something done with the low rent apartments behind the mall
- Bullies in Greenbelt middle school
- Center town has a lot of amenities. The other neighborhoods do not; this is unfair to those residents. Would appreciate more diversity of all kinds
- Franklin Park is still a mess

- Greenbelt also needs to have better restaurants in the center city.
- It bothers me that the PG schools aren't better
- It's slowness to embrace new technology, crowded streets, and bottle-necked traffic. The lack of diversity of non-fast food restaurants
- Lack of economic development
- Lack of employment
- Lack of interesting, non-chain restaurants
- Lack of restaurants particularly in Old Greenbelt. Would love to see more shops/restaurants in the center
- Lack of support for the historic preservation of the community; lack of investment in Roosevelt Center (and the absentee landlord)
- Lacks in some types of retail, restaurant offerings
- Not enough good eateries
- Old and dirty looking streets and landscaping. Our median strips are the worst looking with weeds growing through the cracks and trash. And we paint too many curbs and don't repaint them. Old greenbelt looks old, not historic. Too many low end apartments which attracts low end residents
- OLD GREENBELT- it really needs to be updated on the outside. It looks depressing and very poor. It is a modest area but it can do a lot better to attract more affluent groups come and shop and visit the fun and relaxing atmosphere that that area offers to anyone who comes to visit
- Public school options
- Roosevelt Center is underused. Needs to attract more useful businesses and shoppers
- Roosevelt Center is wonderful but it looks a little tired and run down. I wouldn't want any of the essential features changed, but I'd really like to see it a bit cleaner and freshened up
- Run down appearance of the buildings and lack of involvement with the neighbors to keep the yards clean and free of leaves, snow, yard debris
- Seems like there are efforts to make every place in town be more like the others - connectivity is important, and equality of services and opportunities, but not at the cost of local neighborhoods
- Snail like pace of City Council to respond to change
- Still, a degree of NIMBYism. Oppose some ideas to make the Roosevelt Center a "Mall," but think some moderate sized apartments could be considered and city telecommunication infrastructure issues with cell service and towers could be considered with reasonable safeguards
- Strip shopping centers on Greenbelt Road are unattractive and less safe/friendly than other parts of the City
- The constant over development - new homes (Greenbelt Station) Lakeside North 25 story apartment complex encouraging FBI complex
- The current push for "economic prosperity" over keeping our city full of plants. If I want a fancy concrete jungle full of big convenient shops, there are lots of them to choose from. Greenbelt is unique. Don't ruin it trying to be like everyone else
- The lack of code enforcement for unkept yards and homes
- The lack of protection for the environment. For example, removal of trash cans and trees cut down without being replaced
- The shopping malls do not do enough to manage litter or promote recycling
- There are several townhomes and HOA fees are very high. We need construction of affordable single family homes in Greenbelt. It is a good neighborhood to plant family roots
- Too many fast food restaurants on Route 193
- Variety of shopping options
- Would like us to be a sanctuary city

## Sense of Division

### Precinct 3

- A general sense of disconnectedness between Old Greenbelt and surrounding areas
- A little concerned about discrepancies between Old Greenbelt and rest of City
- Cliquishness, especially GHI
- Distinct sections - not a great feeling of overall togetherness
- Elitism
- Greenbelt seems to be divided with Old Greenbelt community and larger Greenbelt communities outside Old Greenbelt
- How divided East, West, and Central are
- How not diverse it is. Would like to see more minorities
- I think there is over-policing of African-Americans
- Isolation of parts of Greenbelt - would like to see Franklin Park and Greenbelt East better integrated
- It's aging and not race-ethnically diverse
- Lack of diversity in Old Greenbelt
- People pretend this is a welcoming, friendly city, but it really is not. It's a lot of people that are very judgmental and snotty
- Segregated by race - disappointing
- Siloed with other parts of Greenbelt
- Some of our policies heavily discriminate against non-Greenbelt residents. We should be a community open to ALL PEOPLE no matter what
- Split into 3 sections
- That Greenbelt West and East do not feel included
- That my part of Greenbelt, which I love, is so separated from the other parts
- The City is divided into 3-4 sections - continue working on more inter-involvement
- The division between old and new Greenbelt
- The separateness of three Greenbelts
- Three very different, unconnected sections, two of which are given almost no attention
- We are three cities: East Greenbelt, West Greenbelt, and Old Greenbelt. We need to be one Greenbelt
- We need to be sure that all future development benefits the whole of Greenbelt, so I least like the division between areas of Greenbelt mostly due to the huge highway that divides us
- Would like more diversity in civic engagement - age, geography, racial diversity

### Precinct 6

- Divisiveness. We don't need "wards" to divide us further
- Fractured living area
- I think Greenbelt cohesion can be improved between different sections of the city
- Isolation from the neighboring communities
- It feels like three communities. I like city center and feel comfortable there but not in other parts of Greenbelt
- Neighborhoods segregated by race
- Old Greenbelt is not as diverse as I'd like it to be, especially regarding people of color
- Split like the rest of the country. Deficits
- The constant complaining about the separations of the three parts of the city – let's just do something about it finally

- The divisions between neighborhoods
- Too many poor, angry black people who are perpetual victims, which creates a backlash among poor whites (hence, they vote for Trump). I expect more social unrest in the near future

#### Precinct 8

- The community at Greenbelt Station feels like we are used for our tax base but are not part of Greenbelt
- The Franklin Park community does not feel much like the Greenbelt community

#### Precinct 13

- Challenges with racial, class issues in some segments of community life
- Division Old Greenbelt, Greenbelt East, and Springhill Lake smacks of racism
- I am aware of the prejudices in some areas of Greenbelt
- Not enough diversity
- The separated feeling between Old Greenbelt and other parts

#### Precinct 18

- A little disconnected on the side I live on
- Division
- I would like to see more of Greenbelt East informed about Greenbelt activities
- The City is definitely fractured by Greenbelt Road and Kenilworth. It's hard to know what's going on beyond GH1 and my neighborhood
- The divide
- The separation

#### Early Voting

- Division by roads. Southway, BW Parkway, Greenbelt Road. Placement of crosswalks. I walked from doctors office, CVS, Safeway in last two months
- Division into three areas. Too many highways
- Feeling that seniors and Old Greenbelt matter considerably more than anyone else
- I think it's a bit "segregated." One race live in Old Greenbelt and two minority races can be found in New Greenbelt
- It doesn't feel like one town
- Lack of connection with East and West Greenbelt
- Lack of culture awareness between Greenbelt East, Greenbelt West, and the center
- Most events are designed to be held "inside the moat" in Old Greenbelt. What about the rest of us?
- Participation of people who do not live in the center of Greenbelt. Need more participation of minority population
- Sometimes parochial attitude about section of city one lives in
- The lack of community between Old and New Greenbelt



### Web

- Disjointed
- Division between center and Greenbelt West or East
- Feeling a bit separate from the center of the city
- Hard to get to know people
- I feel as though Old Greenbelt (where I reside), Greenbelt East (where I used to reside) and Greenbelt West are fairly disconnected. With that said, I'm not sure how one would fix that
- Lack of connectivity between three main areas of the city. I've lived here 14 years, and I never can get to Greenbelt National Park without driving. What a loss for our community that this treasure of a park is so inaccessible to city residents of ANY of the three areas
- Lack of diversity. The city LIES about its diversity. If you are: Republican, Conservative or Evangelical Christian.....you clearly KNOW and FEEL that you are not welcome here nor are your opinions wanted
- Legacy racism
- Sometimes feel like Greenbelt East gets forgotten in the shuffle (most focus seems to be on GHI)
- That the entire Franklin Park/Springhill Lake community is overlooked in terms of services, infrastructure, and schools. Compare Springhill Elementary to Greenbelt Elementary, and the inequity is startling. Or, should be
- The disconnect between Greenbelt East, Old Greenbelt, and Springhill Lake. It's not helped by the wide highways between the three, but in an ideal Greenbelt, for me, there would be a lot more interplay between them. I like the idea of a city bus, I don't know how feasible it is, but some way one community can get to the others besides the limited stops/routes of the MetroBus and TheBus. I'd love to see more pull into Old Greenbelt, and more ways to get the rest of us there if we perhaps don't have a car/ don't want to spend a half hour on a metro bus. I want Springhill Lake residents visiting Schrom Hills, and East Greenbelters able to hop over to the aquatic center for an afternoon. If you have a car it's easier, but lots of people don't, especially the younger kids
- The people in Old Greenbelt are not well acquainted with the surrounding neighborhoods in Greenbelt East and West
- The separateness of the different parts of Greenbelt, however, I believe that there is a sense of community for anyone who wants to initiate/participate
- There is separation between GHI and the East and West parts of Greenbelt. More needs to be done to include all parts of Greenbelt in a community

### **Crime/Public Safety**

#### Precinct 3

- Allowance of drug sales in public places in plain view. No assistance for homeless
- Beltway Plaza and the surrounding area. The rise in crime and the foul and loud mouths of too many of our teenagers
- Beltway Plaza doesn't feel safe at night
- Crime (2)

- Fear of crime
- I see some erosion in safety, but I've seen that go up and down over my 10 years here
- Increase in crime
- Increasing criminal and offensive activities. Police need greater presence at Roosevelt Center. Also, never use police unless they are responding to a call
- Its police force could be a little less intimidating. Everyone are not criminals. The police force could follow their own laws and not use the excuse they are policemen. Some policemen are not kid friendly
- More crime than I would like; also would like a little more visible police presence around the Buddy Attick lake trail (maybe a bike cop)
- Safety and security concerns
- The police force - I have a seven-year-old brother and he loves the police and firefighters. He aspires to be one, one day to be a police officer. They are simply rude when he comes up to them

#### Precinct 6

- A few areas don't feel safe at night
- Increase in crime coming into Old Greenbelt
- The crime outside of GHI
- Too much of budget goes to police, detriment to other services

#### Precinct 8

- Crime/image
- Police activity
- The crime rate in the Springhill Lake area. Makes me sad people are in fear of being assaulted

#### Precinct 13

- Any suspect for terror must be investigated and watched thoroughly
- Crime is Greenbelt West (Franklin Park/Metro area). Car vandalism doesn't seem to be getting addressed
- Greenbriar side – nuisance crime, property theft, gun crime
- Nothing – I like Greenbelt. We just need to keep drugs off our streets
- Random police traffic stops
- Safety and security
- Security
- Visibility of High School students in area after and between school times. Noisy and invasive to property owners. Destructive to inside condo areas. If they continue maybe required to close bridge between Old Greenbelt and Greenbriar

#### Precinct 18

- Police Department
- Security issues from people coming into our community from outside

Early Voting

- Although minimal, I like least the senseless crime
- Crime (2)
- Crime – especially at Roosevelt High School. Also, crime in Franklin Park/Springhill Lake area
- Crime at Beltway Plaza and Franklin Park. Handicap parking is not enforced
- Crime in Springhill Lake
- Franklin Park apartment crimes
- Going out after dark
- I was treated very disrespectfully by a Greenbelt Police Officer. I was unhappy with the lack of action taken by the Chief Craze
- Increase in crime
- Lack of police – enforcement at stop signs and crosswalks
- Police should respond to calls by visiting the residents and provide the updates about the crimes or pending cases
- Safety at night
- The police department. They need to be screened better
- Using Schrom Hills Park for recreational smoking of marijuana during after school hours – makes park dangerous/uninviting 2-4:30pm
- Violence

Mailed/delivered

- Crime up - my property should be worth more due to the location! It is not
- The criminal element. However, it's a great city, even with its flaws
- Treats of crime and violence loom. Take bus C2 and see for yourself!! Corruption is endemic going back to Spiro Agnew

Web

- Homeless people
- I don't feel safe at Beltway Plaza at night
- I least like that there seem to be crimes in the evening times in some neighborhoods that seem like, if there was more community education or police presence that these could be addressed (Greenbelt Road, Edmonston Road, Springhill Lake, Mandan). And that the GHI administrative office is closed every other Friday. Maybe one Friday a month but not every other Friday
- Increasing crime
- Noisy young 'uns!
- The high taxes and relatively high crime rate. Newly identified homeless problem in city center
- The people who smoke and loiter in Roosevelt Center

- The police that are in the shopping center are never really friendly. If you speak, say hello, they do not acknowledge you. I feel like they treat shoppers like we are all potential criminals

## Leadership/Governance/Taxes

### Precinct 3

- City Council and corruption in our public service positions
- Council always says NO to road widening
- Cronyism in local government
- Difficulty in getting a project going - such as having to go to several committees for approval especially when the project is a rather small one
- Long-time residents who expect things to always stay the same and Council members who work to make it happen
- Not enough communication FROM residents to Council
- One-sided political leanings; overly liberal attitude toward policies - totally against sanctuary city status
- Political orthodoxy
- Red tape
- Resistance to change
- Short-sighted Council - meetings and awareness need help. Check how it is handled in Cheverly and other towns
- Spending money on "improvements" that only benefit a few, i.e., car charging stations (electric cars are typically owned by those who can afford to charge them on their own)
- Spending money on things that only benefit a few (electric car chargers)
- Stagnation. Council (and some staff) are not energetic about new ideas and getting things done. At Council level, lots of talk for many years about improvements they support (e.g., improving Greenbelt Road accessibility) but no improvements have actually occurred
- Takes too long for Council to act on anything. People are often one cause-one objective and focus is too narrow
- Taxes make it impossible (for me) to own
- The pretentiousness and unwillingness to change, i.e., maglev train
- Unwilling to adapt to new ideas or change

### Precinct 6

- High taxes
- Highest taxes in the state
- It's mostly democratic and liberal
- Not progressive. Council seems to always say no to progress
- Some neighbors and friends moving away cause they say taxes and cost of living too high in Greenbelt and Prince George's County
- The city's expectation that the homeowner should fund every special interest group through property tax increases. I didn't like the city spending the funds for the public works building on other things and then having to get another bond to finish paying for it. City council better not do that with the funding to repair the dam/lake

Precinct 8

- Too much bureaucracy with City Council

Precinct 13

- Taxes – Councilmembers should serve four years, then sit out before they can run again

Precinct 18

- Taxes are high

Early Voting

- Bureaucracy
- City Council could be more truthful
- External threats from developers and from a Governor who does not get the need for public transportation over expanding highways
- Growing level of distrust among our citizens toward city upper staff, police and council
- I live in Belle Point and pay Greenbelt taxes and receive no Greenbelt services. Stop the tax or give us some services (trash, recycle)
- I would like to see the City Council be developing a long term economic development plan and forget the FBI building and move forward
- Resistance to change in current city council
- Way too many liberal idealist democrats

Mailed/delivered

- Taxes too high, Council too willing to spend money on things that aren't necessary

Web

- City Council members who feel entitled to hold the position. Term limits are needed
- Council not taking steps to proactively protect the Historic area
- Extremist at Council meetings and in the community. Too many Council meetings, other jurisdictions do not have near as many. It is a waste of City resources and tax payers money
- Having Prince George's County Council in charge of zoning. Having council member, Todd Turner, as our representative and, he does not
- High taxes
- I am disturbed by the increasing lack of transparency, or perceived lack of same, within the city council and GHI board. An informed citizenry is an engaged one
- Lack of support for historic preservation. Voting for City Council is held on "off-year" elections, ensuring minimal voter turnout and continued presence of same council members over and over again
- The City Council should represent all citizens of Greenbelt, not just citizens with their points of views
- Too many trees in places that could pose a security threat

- We currently have a person on Council wearing a Greenbelt shirt at a resist rally. This greatly offends me as she should be speaking and representing all residents

## Multiple/Miscellaneous Dislikes

### Precinct 3

- A close and quiet community
- A law to control the rent going up more than fifty dollars. It should be only ten or fifteen dollars if you have been in the apartment 3 years or more and paid rent on time. Can City Council help with that?
- Arguing, fighting among different agencies, organizations, groups, etc.
- Bad County schools. I have been unable to convince anyone with children to move here!!!
- Beltway Plaza
- Beltway Plaza Mall needs renovation and bigger parking spaces. No more building at Metro Station
- Condition of Beltway Plaza parking lot. No safe way to walk/bike to Greenway Center shops. No bike racks there and no benches to sit. Very unfriendly. Limited restaurants
- Co-op fees. It took almost 6 months for WSSC to replace sidewalk they removed
- Crime and underperforming schools
- Doesn't pay its employees properly
- Electric baseboard heat
- Environmental extremism when it interferes with the safety of citizens and the maintenance of community aesthetics
- Expensive
- Greenbelt Road
- High prices in rent and lack of rent control
- Homeless loitering at Roosevelt Center and near library; adults loitering in front of Maker Space. When will the pavement in front of theatre be fixed?
- I can walk everywhere
- I dislike the use of speed cameras in zones that have artificially low speed limits. I also dislike the fact that GB is in Prince George's County (high property taxes) but nothing can be done about that
- I don't like that there are strong smells of weed while walking down Crescent Rd. Parking could be better too especially for residents
- I wish we could spruce up the Historic center, keep the character but modernize. I wish GHI would think more out of the box than it does
- In Old Greenbelt there are very few places where I want to eat. We tend to go to Hyattsville instead
- Inconsistent home and yard assessment
- Increase of homeless. Library is being used as a bathing facility. Very uncomfortable when I'm there
- Increased crime. Growing buildings and crowdedness. Turnover (retirement) of recent

high-level managers/directors which could interfere with passing on City wisdom and knowledge

- It is getting too crowded
- It is growing too fast; actually already has
- Lack of computer lab in the Community Center
- Lack of engaged citizenry
- Lack of job opportunities in tech and startups. I have rarely been able to work in Greenbelt; usually I end up in D.C. or Montgomery County, which have more and better paying jobs
- Liberal bias
- Lots and lots of “hippy-folk,” but what can you do? They care
- Mindless liberalism. “I believe and act on this because I am liberal - not because I have deeply thought about it and am self-informed.”
- Narrow mindedness in some quarters; “right-man” syndrome
- Need more multicultural arts and events
- Needs more parking for GHI homeowners on Southway and Crescent
- Next to 193
- No place for us to meet to talk with strangers and others
- Noise from Beltway/BWI/193. Crime rate
- Noisy teenagers
- Nosey neighbors
- Not a great deal of people take kindly to me or my beliefs
- Online intolerance and disrespect for other’s considered political opinions
- People are noseys!
- People don’t get involved
- Public (bus) transit is still poor. Shopping at Greenway and Betway is not very appealing. Quality of medical care in Prince George’s County is mediocre
- Schools not good quality for our children. Stops some good people from moving here
- Segregated and downtown Roosevelt Center needs revitalization
- Some complain too much about details and passive aggressive between neighbors
- Sometimes there is too much going on (socially)
- Sort of cloistered
- The Neighborhood Watch following people around. It seems most hang out at the Sunoco and they are harassing
- The people in apartment buildings who leave their McDonald’s trash by their car, empty trash in parking lot and landlords who are NEVER around - too much trash
- The pro-life/anti-abortion protesters on 193
- The ugly talk of some of our citizens on the Internet. They would not be so rude in person
- There is a slight change in resident activity, but no major complaints
- Too many houses; get rid of everything except the original GHI
- Traffic. Lack of unity. Lack of civic engagement

- Two non-profits - lack of follow-through with volunteers
- Whiney people

Precinct 6

- All the kooks
- Becoming more like Takoma Park everyday
- Clique-ish-ness
- Complaining and “know best” mentality
- Conservative ideals that devalue #2
- High School location in Prince George’s County
- Homeless presence, particularly those that frequent the library and make it nauseatingly stinky
- Inconsistency of Beautification Rating System in Spring
- Insularity of Old Greenbelters
- Intolerance by some to others
- Intrusion and personal agendas
- Lack of good connections between our three population centers. East, Central and West. Lack of retail and restaurant diversity and development
- Messy yards in GHI
- No blood pressure monitor in Aquatic Center
- No dark skies, can’t find safe site for star gazing
- No Greenbelt info on several cable providers
- People complaining on Facebook. The drive to build high rises is disturbing
- Pettiness among citizens/bickering
- Petty arguments online
- Route 193; Beltway Plaza
- Sense of history and community
- Small community, Leonard Wallace
- The increase of crime in the other areas of Greenbelt. In addition, we need less fast food establishments and better options and quality stores
- The surrounding communities
- Too liberal
- Too many newcomers who think they can take over. Too liberal
- Traffic congestion on Greenbelt Road. Do not cut down the pine trees at Buddy Attick parking lot. Change the plan to keep the trees. This issue changed my vote for several candidates
- Traffic congestion; allowing illegal aliens to participate in programs paid for by tax dollars
- Traffic increases. The seeming constant push for development when we already gladly pay high taxes for gold services



Precinct 8

- Beltway Plaza, food options, limited development
- First place I've lived since I've relocated from the south
- Franklin Park- there's so much that needs to be improved. One key point is better schools, better playgrounds, better kid/family environment
- Greenbelt has bad curb appeal
- I love them being friendly and open to all
- Mall
- Need more activities
- No walking trail to the Metro; no retail in Greenbelt Station; no Eleanor Roosevelt for Greenbelt Station
- Not knowing where buildings and events are held
- Not really a part of the community
- Roaches/mice
- School system
- School zoning - Greenbelt Station residents should not go to Berwyn School district. Missing the pathway to the Metro from Greenbelt Station. Need improved retail
- The prettiest parts are hidden
- We've only lived here a few months and it looks like there is a disconnect between those living near College Park and downtown Greenbelt. The mall and other commercial/public places could also be cleaner and better maintained
- When looking for employment, it gets a little discouraging when there are so many places looking for new blood
- When people walk their dogs they don't pick up after them. A lot of crap everywhere
- Would like more local music venues, being so close to D.C., it seems cut off from the arts a little
- Poor maintenance in my apartment

Precinct 13

- A few people don't pull their weight. They drop trust, do damage to landscape, etc.
- Clean and safe
- Crime, quality/location of retail establishments
- GHI limitations
- Greenbelt East has been overtaken by a for-profit company that abuses residents. Problems not coordinated – City left to react to symptoms
- I don't spend as much time in community activities as I would like
- It could be more green. Horticulture/renewable energy
- Lack of respect from some residents. Loud music, trash outside
- Need more business to generate jobs. Sunday bus services. Shopping and restaurants
- Police are not friendly. Not many restaurants with healthy options; only fast food
- Some owners do not screen renters well. Would like to see better truancy enforcement

- The sense of diverseness between Greenbelt sections; no cell phone towers on schools and no 5-6 antenna on street poles
- Too crowded
- Traffic congestion; lack of major retailers à moving to other cities
- Traffic, lack of good shopping/restaurants, taxes

#### Precinct 18

- Homes in disrepair. Crime
- How parts of the City are disconnected and Beltway Plaza
- Magnolia Elementary
- Overpriced housing
- The crime. Too many Democrats
- The overbearing HOA at times. Folks not stopping at stop signs
- Too stuck up. Greenbelt thinks it is too good for the County

#### Early Voting

- A little bit busy body
- Aversion to change
- Beltway Plaza – it's awful
- Buildings around town center should
- Carelessness of some residents to respect the cleanliness of city
- Closeness
- Divisiveness. Council needs to work together to maintain the planned community and green space. Lack of moderate income senior housing
- Franklin Park
- Gas prices
- Graffiti; lack of sidewalks in places. Confusing to navigate courts
- HOA rude, disrespectful, bias. They act like they don't want black people in the community. We've been residents for over 25 years. We deserve more respect
- It is not a community unless you live in Old Greenbelt. City Council too interested in preserving status quo rather than future upgrades/improvements
- Lack of economic development vision. Ridiculously high taxes and don't feel that I am directly benefiting. Old, old infrastructure and lack of amenities
- Neighbors are not very friendly
- Nighttime wildlife; bugs; no laundry mat available here in Greenbelt
- Not enough lighting in the community. Too much drug(s) activity in the community. Too many break-ins and not enough security or police
- Not enough single detached homes
- Over taxing and waste
- Parking enforcement popping up when you least expect it
- People are less friendly in apartment living

- Pepco cutting trees. Put the damn wires underground
- Poor/inadequate sidewalks. At-large voting for all Councilmembers causing huge advantage for incumbents and poor representation of Greenbelt West and minorities
- Pretentious busy bodies
- Progressive
- Road noise. The move towards more development which could take away green space. We need green space
- Road noise; the eagerness of the current council to encourage development which will decrease the quality of life in Greenbelt
- Roosevelt Center has some thriving businesses and some tired ones – it would be wonderful to see more thrive
- Some Greenbelter's not respecting other people; i.e., other religions, foreign nationalities
- Some low income neighborhoods
- Some people are not nice, kind, or considerate of others
- Tendency for some homeowners to let their property fall into disrepair
- That Miss Greenbelt Pageant has been removed from Labor Day Festival due to unknown personality conflicts (Linda Ivy?)
- The area of Old Greenbelt needs to be updated. There would gain more revenue if the area had a new polish look. Not taking away what is there but needs a fresh look
- The complex in which I live has become a renter's haven. Owners took pride in their property, the parking lot, the yards, hallways, etc. renters seem to care less. Some owners may feel the same, as long as they receive their rent. The responsibility of the property is on the renter as it should be. It would be nice if renters took more pride on the caring for the outside of their units, not just inside of their four walls
- The lack of diversity within the Council and the senior management and police force. I also don't like how GHI, Greenbriar are the two power areas – but very little is given to Springhill Lake and Mandan condos
- The mean distrusting people – a few bad eggs
- Too dark at night
- Too many apartments
- Too many signs – vary and speed limits – paint on road where driver is looking; Springhill Lake area is not assessable by walking
- Urge to expand and increase
- Very closed group of people. Not always welcoming
- Would like to see Old Greenbelt more diverse and a City Council that reflects the population in greater Greenbelt
- Things feel a little trapped in time

Mailed/delivered

- Busybody Greenbelters
- Co-op store should have better, fresher, more varied, and cheaper vegetables and mushrooms. Healthier choices of food. More education about healthy eating
- Economic insecurity felt by many - barely scraping by, crime surrounding it

- Encroachment by large-scale developments. Continued safety problems around Beltway Plaza
- Liberality
- Litterers
- My own hesitation to initiate - I am 86 today!
- People leaving trash/recyclables on the street or in common areas. Dog poop on sidewalks
- Property taxes are too high. The overflow of critters. Deers, groundhogs are destroying homeowner flowers and vegetable gardens. The rules are very rigid. If I had known before I purchased my home, I would have looked elsewhere
- Rents are too high. Rents are too expensive. Distribution of electricity bill is not satisfactory
- Sometimes its feels very insular. (Like everyone should know about schedule changes, etc.) I am speaking about a variety of events not City organized
- Stray cats that are fed by neighbors
- Tends to be boring

### Web

- 1 -The anti-pedestrian Greenbelt Road. 2 -The several massive nonporous asphalt parking lots in the city. 3 -The ugly unimaginative design of business areas outside the old part of the city
- Crime and traffic congestion.
- Crime, 2017 voting poll Schrom Hills terrible location only two voting polls atrocious
- GHI's rules and regulations
- How outsiders try to change us
- I dislike the attitude of the community. I feel like a vocal minority/ majority want everything for nothing; they want expensive initiatives (e.g., the OPM policy for land care) without paying for them. I dislike the general attitude residents have with City staff: I feel like when I call or interact with staff they think I am going to blow up at them when I really just want to solve an issue or think they have done a good job but just need clarification
- I think that the Town Center needs to be activated a bit more. If the City were to invest in making the Town Center a well trafficked and energetic hub with restaurants, book stores, a bigger Maker Space, it would really enliven the rest of the city and its components, in my opinion. When you draw people to a city, they bring ideas and energy to the city. We need to give people a reason to move to Greenbelt
- Inequitable distribution of city resources and services. Not enough vision and willingness to step outside business as usual on city council. some peoples sense it is a utopia when much needs to change
- It annoys me that people move into Greenbelt, which is, in fact, dominated by GHI, and then get upset at GHI. Otherwise, Rt. 193 annoys me just because the rest of Greenbelt (yes, even Franklin Park) is so lovely and it's just ugly
- Lots of woo-believers
- NIMBYism and resistance to development needed to increase the tax base and lessen the burden on homeowners
- No sound insulation between homes and neighbors banging on projects at 10:00pm and GHI not finishing renovation projects, i.e., HIP on 4 Gardenway
- Police and fire sirens. I don't think that the location of the police and fire departments are optimal for the city as it currently stands. Maybe when Greenbelt was mostly GHI it made sense to have them where they are located, but now that there is a Greenbelt West, East,

the Beltway, the Parkway, a location outside of residential areas makes more sense, along Greenbelt Road for example, which would get you quick access to East, West, Center City, and major highways. I feel that the residents who live along the police and fire route (Crescent and Southway) have a lower quality of life with constant fire and police sirens, and shouldn't have to feel the negative impacts that the Beltway has on the community

- Politics and groupthink. Just because someone lives in Greenbelt does not mean they are a progressive Democrat (and that's okay)
- Shopping and the speed of the traffic on Hanover
- Some members are not good about not letting their dogs bark for long periods, some members are not good about not letting their cats roam (especially because the cats urinate and defecate in other peoples' yards and the members who don't own the cats have to clean their 'stuff' up)
- Some neighbors are trashy and uneducated
- Some of the residents are...opinionated
- Speed cameras
- Stupid people
- Supports illegal aliens, does not support the Federal government. Does not support financial stability by way of attacking real businesses
- The complainers (you know what I'm talking about)
- The crumbling Roosevelt Center - I both love it and hate it. I love that we have the center. I love that the statues are there and the sense of community. But I hate how much loitering and smoking and thinly veiled drug deals go down. I hate that the buildings and grounds are not well maintained by the owner - there are an invasion of roaches - sometimes two inches or longer - hundreds of them, after midnight in the center, crawling all over. Literally hundreds, maybe even thousands. Mostly visible in the summer months. One only need stroll through the center at 1 am on a warm night and you'll see. The roofs collect an unsafe amount of water. The concrete is crumbling in areas, and rails along the Co-op grocery side are rusting, some of them detaching from the ground, and their portico roof fills with water, collecting ice damage and mosquito larvae in the summer. Roosevelt Center needs a lot of attention that is not being given to it. I don't like also that the sidewalk was dug up (I'm sure for good reason) but was replaced with a big patch of asphalt. That center is the jewel of Historic Greenbelt. Also - I really hate that the post office moved out of the space by the theatre. It has really been a big bummer. It happened not long after or right before I moved here. Part of the reason I moved here was because of the convenience of having all of those things in walking distance. I think it would be a BIG boon to the center if we had a small post office again, and also one of those mini-MVA places where you can do some of the quick stop MVA stuff
- The fact that GHI homes don't allow VA loans to purchase a home
- The Greenbelt Homes, Incorporated (GHI) community
- Traffic overflow at Greenbelt Road and Hanover Parkway. The need more upscale retailers and restaurants
- Traffic, the Bus going through my neighborhood, lack of tolerance for conservative views (and I am not conservative but respect diversity of opinion)
- Very white

## Improvements to the City or City Programs

### 4. Are there any improvements to City or new City Programs you would suggest?

*Note that a number in parentheses after a response indicates how many individuals gave that same response.*

#### No/None

##### Precinct 3

- No (5)
- No, we have everything
- None at this time
- None right now
- Nope
- Not a thing
- Not right now
- Not yet
- This is a great City- so very unique

##### Precinct 6

- Need to think about this
- No
- No – I'm very satisfied
- No. Review all old city programs instead
- None (3)
- Spend my money. I am so grateful for the wonderful programs my money buys when wisely managed by my council

##### Precinct 8

- Don't know enough about them
- New to area
- No
- Not at this time
- Not familiar with the City
- Not sure
- Not sure what is on
- Not that I can think of at the moment
- Not that I know of

##### Precinct 13

- Doing a good job. Do what the budge can allow you to do
- I have not been involved enough to do so

- Keep up the good work
- More intergenerational gatherings
- No (2)
- No really
- None
- None, especially
- Nope. It is a pretty amazing place as it is...meets many needs
- Not at this time (2)
- Not right now

Precinct 18

- No
- None (2)
- Not at the moment
- Not at this time

Early Voting

- Continue to maintain services. Continue and improve information to the community such as maglev
- I'm not certain what the new city programs they're referring to at all
- No (4)
- None
- None at this time
- None so far
- Not at this time
- Nothing comes to mind
- Overall very good

Mailed/delivered

- No
- None that I can think of now

Web

- I think City programs are great
- I'm still very new to the community...
- N/A
- No (3)
- No new city programs are needed, just need to focus on the quality of life issues described above. You achieve a better quality of life (less noise, better walkability/bikeability, better restaurant options) you will attract a growing population to the community

- Nothing that comes to mind, and honestly, anytime I hear about a new City program I get concerned about a tax increase. Do you realize how high our taxes are, really? I think the City needs to look at ways to cut costs and perhaps even reduce programming before ever considering a tax increase. Look instead at raising program fees so the people who are benefiting the most are paying for the service
- We moved here because we love Greenbelt just the way it is

## Public Safety

### Precinct 3

- After dog attack, officers did not handle my emotional state well at all when I wanted to be sure charges were filed/owners held responsible. I felt worse and more upset after interacting with me. I am concerned about their training. I feel I was a pretty easy situation to handle in the big picture. How would they handle more challenging situations? More training for reducing heightened emotional states of victims
- Better path maintenance - many paths are crowded by shrubs, trees, etc.
- Bike/walk bridges over 193 and 201
- Crime-reduction efforts
- Homeless policies
- I think the relationship between Greenbelt police and certain members of the community, namely African-Americans and other people of color, should be significantly improved. There is over-policing of African-Americans and not fair treatment in interactions with African-American citizens
- Monitor apartments at Southway and Crescent - Baltimore slum lords
- More lighting on some pedestrian walkways
- More police/police presence
- More safety cameras
- More sidewalks for direct walking
- People stand in crosswalks waiting for bus- bad idea
- Police follow up with victims after attack/injury (serious)
- Set up speeding traps. There are way too many speeders. Also more police presence is needed. Please enforce NO tailgating. Thanks!
- Sidewalks on lakeside
- Sidewalks should be put in all places where there are bus stops. Sidewalks and crossway needed on Southway and Greenbelt Road so pedestrians can walk safely to Greenway Mall. Currently it is a very long walk to go down to Gardenway and Roosevelt school in order to cross to mall. Make it easier for walkers like me to cross Southway over Greenbelt Road. Also, sidewalk is needed on east side of Southway all the way to Greenbelt Road
- Slow down Greenbelt Rd and Kenilworth and make them roads for Greenbelt
- Speed signage on Lakecrest and Lakeside
- Walking police patrols, both day and night. More patrols at night, e.g., in Roosevelt Center, Hanover area



Precinct 6

- Increase/improve police being and presence
- Make Greenbelt Road safer for pedestrians and bicyclists and more attractive
- More light on Southway at night. Also, more lights at intersection of Crescent and Greenhill Road
- Need lighting ordinance – require shielded lighting – porch lights should be shielded; have light focused downward for safety but not sideways or upward
- Please, bring back the bike officers on a regular basis. And, hire T. Kemp to be our chief – it will improve overall morale in the department
- Police services – would like to see more community policing – kind officers driving around (bring back bikes) and less sitting at center or Greenway Plaza with lights on watching videos. Get out of the car and meet people. The best policemen are always like social workers, not military police

Precinct 8

- Better side walks
- Increase street lighting
- Path from Greenbelt Station homes to Metro
- Path to Metro
- The pathway to the Metro from Greenbelt Station!
- Trail from Greenbelt townhomes to Greenbelt Station
- Yes, build path to Metro from Greenbelt Station

Precinct 13

- Areas of Greenbelt Road need better lighting
- More police officers
- More surveillance of Greenbriar by security and police between Old Greenbelt and Greenbriar
- Please continue strong police presence in Greenway Center to deter problems. Beltway Plaza may need same. We should get that Technology Hub George Boyce envisions
- Police should not place individuals on the curb when arresting them – show some dignity and respect. Police – how many darn cars do you need responding to simple shoplifting – really?

Precinct 18

- More traffic speed enforcement
- Police bicycle patrols
- Would like to see more police presence on foot and on bike around town

Early Voting

- Add more police officers or security in community. Adding more lighting in all community
- Greater resources directed toward controlling aggressive dogs and feral and free-roaming house cats in neighborhood
- Improved bike routes, crosswalks, street lighting
- Love the police; however, they need to become more real-time with information. Videos,

BOLO's, crime just happened, etc., should be on Facebook and Twitter real time. See Prince George's police for example

- More activities that make police visible as community partners
- More police
- More walkways for pedestrians or maybe overpasses
- One area of improvement for me would be a program sponsored by the police department and the condo and other associations. Living in this area would be to have a regular routing program of officers getting to know their neighborhood they are assigned to. If this is still done? We want to work with and assist our officers, and not be afraid of them. It would be nice to have a youth program to enhance on and off duty officer (community service requirements). It would be great if something of this nature could be developed at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. It may sound like pie in the sky, but too many officers and our youth die because of FEAR, on both parties part. I'm sure there are some well-organized and fully functional programs nationwide that works for their community, the Boys and Girls Club programs might be a good place to start looking at what works and what doesn't. I understand it takes money to implement any program, but it takes money to keep our youth locked up. I'm aware parents must be a part of this program and how that part is accomplished is a mystery as all parent involvement is. Maybe the associations and the officers could provide a "how can we help" flyers – passed out and collected in each homeroom – with the area of where the child lives. We throw away so much good trying to get rid of the bad. Channel 9 News has a program to help feed hungry children. Neighborhoods have to start somewhere. Everything we start won't be successful, "but everything we learn will." Attitude of an officer- blocked three handicap parking spaces for 10 to 15, 20 minutes. When he came back to his car, he never spoke, never said "I'm sorry." These little things are what keep people pissed with some officers' ATTITUDE
- Police should be for the community not against and acting like everyone is a criminal. Police need better training to de-escalate situations, rather than physical abusive tactics. Police have lost my respect due to years of abuse. Police need citizen support but act to lessen it
- Police should be more present at Town Center – too many smokers in front of No Smoking sign
- Put sidewalks where people actually walk
- Speed bumps on Ridge Road between Westway and Southway in particular. People drive at 45 miles or higher on this road. I have almost been hit by cars three times (and I was in a crosswalk)
- Trap feral cats (kill or domesticize). Trap free-ranging owned cats and penalize repeat offenders
- When you see officers in community, there are highly standoffish – especially the females
- Yes, we need speed bumps in Ridge Road on each side of pedestrian pathways

Mailed/delivered

- Increased police presence. Increased participation by citizens in police surveillance (Neighborhood Watch revival)
- More sidewalks
- No Metro path

- Re: police - how can they be first responders and social workers? They deal with "out of control" people all the time. No wonder they quit!
- Street lights along Southway Road sidewalk side of road. Maintain trees, e.g., remove dead trees in common areas such as 10 Southway and new trees between Southway Court (end) and apartments; water new trees; trim out invasive plants attacking trees, such as mulberry seedlings and vines
- There is no safe shelter in the event of an impending tornado. The little GHI townhomes have no rooms anywhere that are safe from windows (flying glass). It would be good to have some place to take refuge
- There seems to be more evidence of homelessness appearing
- Traffic lights and cameras at areas where children accessing school bus, especially Crescent and Southway where seniors cross to center and children cross for buses
- Wish we had a bicycle patrol unit to go along pathway in back of parkway and move more frequent patrols along parkway. Has City hired full complement of officers? There should be access to important police information on weekends and holidays. The clerk at office can't always relay information and the communication person is not always available

### Web

- Better lighting for walking in the dark along the streets and sidewalks; some areas have no lighting or very dim lighting; it's also hard to see walkers when you're in a car driving the main streets
- Bicycle/pedestrian OVERPASSES connecting the city over big roads that divide it. Protected bike paths on the large, busy roads
- Improve sidewalks and add more bike lane
- More lighting on the walkways
- Reform Police Command structure and hire a permanent Police Chief
- Sidewalks or walking path along Crescent all the way from 201 to the Roosevelt Center
- Smaller community police force, more focused on real dangers, better streetscape and traffic calming to make the city more attractive and get more good economic development
- They could more lights at the bus tops. Solar lights would be great. It is so dark in some areas and I know lights would help people to feel safe and empowered

## **Economic and Community Development**

### Precinct 3

- As buildings need to be maintained and cars and systems need to be replaced, it is good to work for environmental "least impact"
- Bring in new restaurants, businesses, bars
- City ought to buy Roosevelt Center and fix it to be a 1930s tourist attraction. Make the gas station look like 1930s. Add more plantings
- Clearer economic development policy on how to preserve past and bring in new businesses and services
- Get an Economic and Community Development Coordinator

- Hope to retain Greenbelt institutions like New Deal Café and Old Greenbelt Theatre and try to attract additional to Roosevelt Center. Hope science/medical or arts-related businesses be sought after
- Hopefully adding composting for all Greenbelt residents and businesses and getting the municipality to sign a solar contract after letting out an RFP
- Keep up/increase environmental projects. More recycling and reusing, e.g., at the pool; enforce recycling. City composting. Solar panels and electric car chargers for all electric cars (not just high end)
- More food options (family friendly)
- More green initiatives
- Need for more meetings to address violence in schools especially Greenbelt Middle
- Pursue economic development activities
- Renewable energy grants and no additional cost opportunities. Community renewable energy collection and distribution facilities to benefit residents
- Restore the library sign to its original condition. Treat graffiti with contemporary methods instead of painting. Pass a local ordinance to keep people from loitering and misusing public facilities
- The City needs to be thinking ahead to being more independent of fossil fuels and toward "organic recycling" (or city-wide pickup of compostables) especially in apartment buildings
- We need to be able to communicate with each other, and hear each other's' ideas and needs

#### Precinct 6

- Horticulture. More fruit and nut trees planted across Greenbelt. Fire pit built at Northway fields
- Increase diversity/outreach for city facilities
- More "green" actions
- More economic development and diversity. More connections so we're truly one Greenbelt
- Redevelop 193 to make it more like Route 1 in Hyattsville. No chain restaurants or stores
- Strongly encourage, move to renewable energy sources
- We are about to see an economic decline, thanks to the emptying of federal government services and employees. How will we weather the decline of the DC Metro Region?

#### Precinct 8

- Buildings feel outdated
- Higher end shopping at Beltway Plaza and Greenway Center
- I would like to see more commercial development. Upgrade the mall at least the crumbly parking lot. Possibly better restaurants or mixed-use housing development so I won't go to College Park or Silver Spring and spend money there instead
- Improve/remodel Beltway Plaza
- More development by Metro
- Open up membership to the Co-op grocery store
- We need to figure out how to interconnect the 3 Greenbelts into one

### Precinct 13

- Friendship bench; more monument to peace; more musical education activities and ensembles
- I wish the City would support local small business more. Some Council members have definitely showed support but it takes more than two Council members
- Revitalize like College Park
- Support small businesses

### Precinct 18

- Beltway Plaza Mall side of 193 and the Mall need work
- Fix the pond across from Greenbelt Plaza
- Renovation of Greenbelt Mall, Beltway Plaza

### Early Voting

- Make sure diversity includes all groups, races and not just focus on black/white
- More restaurants and better dining options
- Really need to build a good Economic Development Foundation. This should be top priority
- Revitalization of Roosevelt Center; facelift of existing businesses; need improved interest in bringing in business and professional families

### Mailed/delivered

- Continue to welcome new residents of color, those with limitations
- Improve Roosevelt Center
- New businesses. New apartment buildings and condos that will be appealing to our future generations. Move from 50 years ago to now 2017!!!

### Web

- A community directory of people living here
- Attract "real" businesses (like Amazon) instead of wasting time trying to attack the FBI building, which would not really financially benefit Greenbelt
- Bring ambitious family-owned businesses to the center and Greenbelt in general. Give incentives to help them succeed
- Economic support of businesses in Roosevelt Center and "mom and pop" businesses throughout the City
- Hire an economic development person. Work on bike/pedestrian infrastructure to connect all of Greenbelt
- National Archives and Records Administration is running out of space for their records - see if you can get a building built in Greenbelt, possibly where FBI was supposed to be built - will bring in hotel/tourism for those who do research/business with the records stored there
- Need more family owned business in the center
- Please focus on the economic development of Roosevelt Center - we need to get that landlord out, revitalize the center, and bring more visitors to town
- Promote solar, wind, renewable energy

## Other Public Services/Infrastructure

### Precinct 3

- A better control when it snows to keep the neighborhood streets cleaner and safe
- Accountability of school administrators and teachers
- Add dog park to Historic Greenbelt
- Animal shelter - can never get anyone to answer the phone and recording refers you to call police station. Also City can do better with stray animals- cats, dogs
- Announcement in the Greenbelt News of the schedule and route of the street sweeper. Plan the route so different side of the street will be swept on a different scheduled day
- Better social media integration. Have online participation of Council meetings live
- Better social media presence by the City (Facebook, Instagram, etc.)
- Continue City's efforts at zero waste
- Continue to increase the number of officers past 55+. Increase City employees' pay, training for PW employees on improving snow removal techniques; snow removal can be improved. Thanks to PW employees for keeping the City looking good
- Extend hours of Greenbelt Connection
- Finish the dam if required, then let things rest awhile
- Food stamps and more programs for kids with special needs. Day care assistance - my mother can't afford to pay that so someone has to take off and stay home
- How to deal with an increase in homeless people - how to help them
- I sometimes find it difficult to find what I'm looking for on the City's website (although I eventually can). This is a very minor complaint
- I would love to share caregiver with others - I need help bathing and dressing, but only about 1 hour per day- not worthwhile to hire aide for that small period of time. If aide could serve several people, it could be a full-time job for someone (I do hire friends from Greenbelt and Beltsville to help with chores, gardening)
- Increase trash pickup along the lake's walking paths, and trash removal on warm weekends
- Keep the lake and park by fixing the dam
- More open support of women and LGBT
- More parking please
- More volunteer activities on days someone working full-time can join in
- Municipal compost collection
- Spend money on improving the police force rather than the police vehicles (i.e., electric vehicles when the current vehicles work fine). More police on bicycles
- Spending money on improving police force rather than police cars. Getting empty office spaces filled
- We need to address the homeless issue. Sleeping on benches at night isn't safe. Property value is diminished
- Whole new City Council

Precinct 6

- Add one full-time job to Greenbelt Human Resource Department
- Apparently the police force needs to staff up. Do it
- As the city considers development, I hope it will consider smart planning to maximize pedestrian use, affordable homes, and historic preservation
- Attention to crumbling sidewalks
- Better traffic controls on Crescent and Ridge Roads
- Information about bus services need publication. I look forward to a day when all inner “Old Greenbelt” is closed off to any traffic other than public transportation “jitneys”
- Keep balance between volunteer and paid municipal employees
- Keep the schools funded for activities that enrich students
- Length of survey
- Maintain excellent snow removal; tree-root sidewalk tripping; trim low-hanging branches over sidewalks
- Maintain forest preserve through active removal of trail obstacles (fallen trees, overgrown foliage on paths)
- More cooperation between city – GHI
- More electric vehicle charging station options, especially with the type II connection
- More trails behind homes. In Boxwood Village for example
- More transportation
- Need city run charter schools to provide tolerable education for our children
- Push for more electric vehicle charging locations
- Take care and improve original dog park
- Trash cans along Ore Glen Drive – and empty regularly. We used to have them, why were they removed? Now all trash is on the sidewalks and streets. Looks bad-poor community appearance
- Would like to see senior housing that is not for the disabled

Precinct 8

- Connect all parts of Greenbelt with improved paths, sidewalks, and bike lanes
- I would appreciate cleaner streets after construction and storms. Plus, I would love to see more art programs for the youth
- Make programs more publicized
- More locations to drop recycling or easier sorting for individual apartments
- More programs for teens
- More programs for young children and parents of small children
- More services for the youth all over Greenbelt
- More STEM programs for children
- We need the City to push for the WMATA trail for Greenbelt Station

Precinct 13

- Better recycling throughout
- Building repairs

- Get rid of the Ora Glen traffic circles
- Get/name a new Chief
- Have recently had a bad and unsatisfactory experience with code enforcement regarding resident code infraction. Lame investigation and no follow-up. No feedback to the complainant
- More going green initiatives
- Parking enforcement – in Greenwood Village specifically, the amount of visitor spaces are so rare that the frequency of vehicles double-parked is ridiculous. They will continue to block vehicles in the assigned spaces unless there are consequences to doing so
- Please repair that doggone sign as you exit the BWI Parkway to Greenbelt Road – it has Hospital and Shopping Center. This is disgraceful as it's the Gateway to Greenbelt and the "Shopping Center" piece is broken in half and leaning. It has been this way for ages. Who is monitoring and responsible? We need to do better for the residents. Partner with Doctor's Community Hospital and offer a community health fair; also include churches, fraternities and sororities; Have an Open House so the community can meet the Council members. Be more visible. Thanks for listening
- Provide low-cost housing for low income

#### Precinct 18

- Family services
- Make schools better
- Need an interactive or exciting web page. Greenbelt News is too old - liven it up to more interest younger population versus good senior citizen paper
- Regulation of condo fees. I live in Greenbelt Lake Village and condo fees are too high, probably not your issue
- Tutoring for all students

#### Early Voting

- A much stronger adult day services program
- All of the programs offered to Historic Greenbelt such as recycling of all things and food scrap collection should be offered everywhere such as apartment complexes, Beltway Plaza, public places like the Planet Aid Boxes or clothing donation boxes
- Better outreach and use of technology to reach more citizens
- Change some current programs to newer/different ones
- City buildings need improvement. They are stuck in the 1970's
- Continue outreach and providing up-to-date information
- I would like to suggest a new city program that focuses on the rental properties adhering and maintaining the living conditions in the apartment community
- Iron out the problem of transportation for non-car owners. Make it more like Disney World – Sky Rail, golf carts, etc.
- It's nice Buddy Attick and the lake is free and available to everyone; however, we must increase resources to clean it after a weekend of BBQ's and parties
- Keep Greenbelt "green." Use influence to protect zoning at the historic community



- More and better transit. I don't live there, but please build that path to the Metro for Greenbelt Station
- More programs to get young people engaged in the community
- More services for folks who had to give up driving
- More trash cans in public areas/walkways
- No new programs due to pending dam borrowing
- Parking – enforce illegal parking along Frankfort Drive and in front of stores at Greenway Center
- Please be more digital savvy and engage the youth more in terms of civic engagements
- Programs when Prince George's County Public Schools has no school or an early release
- Public transportation run by City of Greenbelt with private partnership
- State-funded plan to connect portions of Greenbelt
- Strongly encourage Franklin Park at Greenbelt Station to recycle. Have bins placed throughout the communities
- Switch to ward and at-large representation on City Council – a mix
- The City Council needs to be more responsive and communicative about petitions brought to them
- The Community Center air/heating system is HORRID. Rooms are way too cold for classes. Should be able to control individual rooms
- Trees on Ridge Road need to be trimmed up

#### Mailed/delivered

- Ability to pay bills online. Have trash collection service put on property tax bill like most jurisdictions rather than billing separately
- Introduction of water meters in apartments. Introduction of electric unit meters in each apartment
- People leaving trash/recyclables on the street or in common areas
- Permanently "lock up" all green space. Plant trees, one down/two go up. Reduce signage. One up/two down. Look how many signs on Crescent near Lake - place them all together on one board. Looks like a trailer park now
- Programs to bring youth and police together - these may already exist, don't know - model programs were set up in Hartford, Connecticut

#### Web

- A phone number to connect me with people to do snow shoveling and yard work on. An as needed basis
- Increase cell phone coverage please
- Better connections to the metro from all areas of Greenbelt
- Better maintenance and condition of the athletic fields
- Bury the electric wires. I know it's very expensive but this is 19th century infrastructure - do a bit at a time over a decade but do it. We are all so used to filtering the poles and wires out but the effect is REALLY AWFUL
- "Capital bikes" type program
- Circulator bus going throughout all City neighborhoods on a regular schedule

- Code enforcement as far as curb appeal. Lakewood seems to have been neglected
- Curbside compost collection!
- Edge the grass!! Especially on greenbelt road. Edging has the most impact. Repaint curbs that have been neglected or better yet, don't paint them in the first place. Stencil them, clean trash, remove weeds on medians on greenbelt road
- Emphasis on preserving what we have
- Evaluate what you are charging for your services and if you can charge more. Also, if any private entities would like to make use of our buildings or services, charge them accordingly. Evaluate where fraud, waste, and abuse may be happening
- Greenway Center needs to have regular trash cleanup; the amount of litter in the parking areas and around that land is atrocious. Both Greenway Center and Beltway Plaza need to promote much stronger recycling at the gyms and other shops that comprise them. They should be required to post monthly recycling weights versus trash weight for transparency
- Have the apartments/apartment complex for rent to be inspected. The renters realize the problem after they have signed the lease and moved in. Rent is very high in Greenbelt and quality of apartments does not match the monthly rent amount
- Historic preservation program
- I believe the city should fund a re-faciling of the buildings/businesses in Roosevelt Center. The current landlord doesn't care about the buildings but windows need to be replaced and the outside of the buildings could use a facelift, similar to what happened in Riverdale by their Farmer's Market
- I suggest offering free flu vaccine (flu shots) to anyone requesting it
- I would expand the Greenbelt Museum's hours and staffing. I would purchase the commercial buildings in the Roosevelt Center to maintain control and to embark on a cohesive approach to marketing a key asset
- I would welcome more benches at bus stops wherever possible
- Improve the community center heating/cooling system and provide comfortable chairs
- Improvement in public transportation, especially to the new developments. Fix some of those metal plates on 193
- Increase library hours/days of operation. Increase support for mental health issues, increase support for local food banks
- Install FREE city-wide Wi-Fi. Heck, even if it weren't free but were just cheaper than Verizon/Comcast
- Maryland state parks are trash free, why can't Greenbelt parks be trash free? How much time does Public Works spend on annual plantings? Could these be replaced with perennials?
- Municipal Internet Service Provider. Better/more reliable cellphone service
- Need better cell phone reception in all areas
- Peace programs (conflict resolution, skills for peace)
- Solar panels on rooftops of community buildings
- Some sort of shuttle to the Metro. Bike share program of some kind. Approve the plan to redesign and rejuvenate Beltway Plaza. For Pete's sake, make Greenbelt Road a "green street"!! Or at minimum provide a way to cross it safely to Greenway Plaza. Bi-annual hazardous materials collections -- just run a city truck to Brown Station and back
- Start the City Council meetings at 7 pm instead of 8 pm

- Stricter enforcement of animal control laws
- The HR office is very understaffed. Both CARES and HR need more space. I do NOT want more cameras around town
- Transportation modes for non-drivers
- What if GHI or the City had a program to install solar panels on resident's houses? For anyone who is considering solar panels, I'm sure that if we gathered a number of people together that the cost for each household would decrease. Alternatively, what if residents in Greenbelt could opt into having a large solar field built somewhere in Greenbelt (paid for and owned by the residents, each resident who contributed owns a share), and then the residents could share the resulting electricity? In other words, person A puts in \$5000 and gets X KW of solar panels in the field, so they get a corresponding fraction of the energy produced as a credit
- Cell phone service!
- We need more cell towers urgently! Cell phones for seniors are life protectors. All carriers are dropping calls, etc. because the City won't make hard decisions to moderate its anti-cell tower view because of a few very vocal environmental "activists." Ask seniors, we need better cell phone coverage now ... not after we can't get through to EMS or police in an emergency!
- More solar
- We need more solar power; we need to support a micro-grid power system that can run independently and simultaneously concurrently with the established ageing power infrastructure. We should be part of an electric vehicle recharging system that crosses the DMV

## Recreation

### Precinct 3

- A space for teens to dance and play music together. Maybe the gym in the City Center at night? Guest bands could be covered by a small fee at the door or the food/drink sales. This could be a way to bring the community as a whole together
- After school programs are very limited to a few subjects (dance, etc.) and seem geared to GES. Children attending other schools that don't arrive home until 4:30 are unable to participate in what is offered
- Beginner swing dancing for adults to return. More rock bands/dances to attract single partners, not just family events. Have a sister city?
- Farmers Market is too hot- needs to be covered, and parking lot needs to be painted white
- Greenbelt Labor Day Festival is in decline and needs new leadership/life
- Have more events that include Greenbelt East and West (sports games, festivals, more classes and activities at other community centers)
- I would suggest more classes and groups focusing on involving community members in politics to educate them more
- More aquatic classes Tuesdays and Thursdays
- More programs to encourage open use of athletic fields. If we're going to maintain them, we should use them a lot more
- Pickle ball courts outdoors at Braden Field Courts 7/8. Lines or tape put down for pickle ball courts in Community Center; extra net

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- Pool needs updated fitness/gym cardio equipment and a TV if possible and more regular cleaning and keep it open after Labor Day (outdoor pool)
- Programs for 13-to-17-year-olds to help them learn about and contribute to the community
- Tennis court lights should be on for free until 11pm like Olney Manor Park

### Precinct 6

- Can we get a billiards table? Seems like it would be fun
- More midday exercise classes
- The kids programs start too early during school year
- The summertime admissions at the aquatics and fitness center should be changed. Non-residents who don't own passes should be allowed to use the GAFC without being accompanied

### Precinct 13

- I'd suggest more community events to happen in Greenbelt East and Greenbelt South (Franklin Park area). For instance: more summer camps – sponsored by the City of Greenbelt
- More youth creative activities

### Precinct 18

- More family nights out. Better family movies in the old Greenbelt movie theatre. More play in our play house

### Early Voting

- A baseball field for Greenbelt West – to expand youth recreation programs
- Aquatic and Fitness Center – carpeting, some new equipment
- Ask the Greenbelt Arts Center to start theatre workshops for amateur playwrights to actors
- Christian movies at the Old Greenbelt Theater
- Cooking classes
- Do a better job of keeping Fitness Center/pool clean
- Enjoyed outdoor movies if we can bring those back
- More exercise and movement for teens as well as self-defense and confidence courses for pre-teens and teens
- More programs. Recreation classes for young adults

### Web

- Activities geared towards younger adults
- Continuing to be disappointed with the overall management of the Aquatic facility. Rules seem to not be enforced. Obviously, no follow up by management
- Game leagues (card/board/etc.) for all adults
- I think it would be fun to have a cultural festival. One that celebrates the many different cultures of people in Greenbelt. Or, a multicultural Thanksgiving feast, offered at the Greenbelt Community Center. This would help people who are single or don't have access to family members on this

holiday, it would also be a great celebration of the diversity of our city. It could be a potluck type of event and the City would supply the Center, tables, chairs, tablecloths and silverware, possibly some activities. It would also be a way to welcome new Americans and newcomers to meet people in the community and learn about one of our great American holidays. Think solidarity. We can all use more solidarity, particularly with all the divisiveness out there. Peace out

- I would like to have more fitness/aquatics offerings
- Keep an eye on the Aquatic Center. It's a gem, but management needs to be improved. Train staff better to be more flexible in specific situations. Fitness/Aquatic Center management does not seem up to this challenge
- More options at Springhill Lake Recreation Center
- More recreation areas/activities in Greenbelt West and East
- The Aquatic Center needs to improve the class offerings if it wants to engage younger and/or more active folks. I would love to use the Aquatic Center as my gym, but the classes do not meet my training needs/wants

## Multiple and Miscellaneous

### Precinct 3

- A half page in Greenbelt News Review for opposing viewpoints
- A message board in the Plaza to advertise all that Greenbelt offers
- Better maintenance of sidewalks. More senior classes. Keeping pool temperature at 84 degrees
- Better union of East, West, and Central through an increase in busing and advertising events in East and West
- Boost bicycle carriages on Greenbelt Road
- Boost community events and festivals as central to economic development. Attract young families via targeting and marketing. Enhance community governance in participatory budgeting
- Circulator bus, several international festivals that highlight the nationalities within Greenbelt - Europe, South/Central America, Africa, Asia/Pacific Rim. More mental health services through CARES to serve more families. More services through GAIL- do not depend on GIVES
- Dog park within old Greenbelt. Concerted effort to recruit tenants for Roosevelt Center. More publicity for City outside of Greenbelt
- Economic development planning and alternative transportation in coordination of state and federal government. Greenbelt and Kenilworth Roads are bike/pedestrian unfriendly
- Emphasis should be on community policing programs, etc. more than need for lights, etc. so community is more involved. Check how they do this in Cheverly. Resources of community under-utilized. Solar lighting needed in Buddy Attick Park. Also need GOOD restaurants. Sound for access channel is AWFUL
- Even better connections to Metro rail from Old Greenbelt; the 11 bus is great (better than WMATA) but doesn't run late. Long-term plan for redeveloping along Greenbelt Road- look at Route 1 main street program in Hyattsville and College Park. Need to get good employer/retail into the "FBI" site
- Fix grates in hot tub - dangerous when unaware they are there (by pillars). When plowing snow to where is possible to not push in front of driveways. More protection of green space. Provide better chairs for senior activities- higher with arms for support and helping to get up. Increase animal shelter staff and enlarge animal shelter
- Fix the streets. Fix the pool

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- Funds for musicians at New Deal Cafe
- Help with leaf removal. Equipment to get into courts and keep walkways CLEAR from debris. Lighting of walkways- get some standard features that all can enjoy and install them throughout the community to benefit ALL (i.e., motion lighting/standard lighting on all homes or lighting along walkways)
- I wish I had the time to take advantage of them! I would love a pinochle group!
- I would like to see some non-native invasive, like Bradford Pear, nandina, and the crape myrtle, replaced with shrubs and trees that our wildlife depend on
- Improve 193 for bikes, pedestrians, and beauty. Open Community Center at 8:45 for senior fit class
- More bike options please. Consider the old soapbox derby from years ago
- More inclusive and diverse citizens in Historic Greenbelt - efforts between City and local real estate agencies in promoting this
- More international festivals in Greenbelt East. Soccer fields in Greenbelt East and West
- More privacy for showers at AFC, cleaner lockers room, friendlier staff. Privacy - young boys taken through women's locker room and vice versa - how to shield the young children?
- Need a group to tell Council our concerns
- Protect its uniqueness and other good qualities
- Recreation department/community center need more classes/programs for ages 12-16. City/Greenbelt Cares need more programs or help for the homeless and for under-employed folks
- There's always room for improvements, but I understand it takes money
- To somehow make the outlying district feel more a part of the inner city
- Walkways, bicycle trails, safety in high-crime areas
- We need a Juneteenth (June 19th) celebration every year. On this day the last slaves in Galveston, Texas learned they were free 3 years after the Emancipation Proclamation
- Work harder to get full spectrum input
- Yes- support people who have ideas for doing projects and try to help and assist them in their work instead of adding on restrictions

### Precinct 6

- Better attention to trees that are dead; emergency shelters for bad storms
- Buy Roosevelt Center; provide a heated arthritic pool; more housing like Greenridge House
- Competitive bid dial on capital improvements; solar electric on public buildings
- Fantasy: rent relief for tenants in Roosevelt Center- pairing up old people with young people
- Keep the balance between volunteer and paid municipal jobs. Terrific as is an Greenbelt is great
- Keep up the good work. Increase inclusiveness – East/West/Central areas
- More home school programs; dog park in Old Greenbelt
- Nicer bike lanes, more frequent bus service to more places. Make Greenbelt Road narrower. Yes to citywide food composting
- Overpass walk to Greenway Center on Greenbelt Road
- Senior classes in Community Center are not challenging enough. Transport is terrible on weekends (one Metro bus per hour is not enough)
- Space for GHI homeowners only to meet regularly

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- There are many efficiencies the city can implement currently that would eliminate this continuous request for more money or increase property tax rates
- Traffic – Greenbelt Road/Kenilworth/Beltway. Would like to see better/more variety in commercial establishments in the center
- Yes parenting classes and police carrying naloxone (Narcon)

### Precinct 8

- Better public schools - compared to other counties we pay higher taxes and have poorly rated public schools. Greenbelt City needs an upgrade and better malls and shopping centers
- Inspect trees for safety; I'm concerned about one that could fall in extreme winds on my building; been unsafe for years!
- Metro access with lighted walkways
- Parks/recreation facilities
- Public-private partnerships; proactive about development and services
- Roads, programs for children, adults, and seniors
- There needs to be a more pedestrian-friendly sidewalk/trail from Franklin Park to Old Greenbelt/Buddy Attick Park

### Precinct 13

- At Council meeting
- BW Parkway needs to be viable for people to use. Always a traffic delay/back-up
- Evaluation for long-range planning of both Greenbelt East and Greenbelt West to address problems and one landlord for West
- Give young people more things to do
- Personal walk shoveling when it snows, willing to pay for it
- Promote them more
- Running trails. Preserve green areas
- We are all God's children and all of us need for respect that in Greenbelt, Maryland

### Precinct 18

- Have schoolchildren clean up the schools and neighborhoods like they do in Japan
- More advance notice of events, festivals. Usually find out through News Review, but only 1-2 weeks in advance. My life is very complex and more advance notice and including events (even if not run by City of Greenbelt) would be appreciated. These are all part of our community and bring us together
- More diversity and opportunity for jobs, housing, etc.

### Early Voting

- Crossover to shopping center
- Help lady at main desk with her people skills. She is frequently rude to people on the phone and in person. Neighbors have complained
- Help those who are facing difficult times à help those who are not at GHI or Greenbriar. Create a community building at Mandan Condos or next to Handover Condos
- Homeless program – maybe need to have a tiny house program to help them to have a space. Our library deals with this small population but there needs to be more

- Keep it accessible, green
- Keep these outside developers out of the old town
- More filming of council meetings. Better walkways and more overpasses in all areas of the city
- More repairs to roads. More police patrols in dangerous neighborhoods
- Renovate Beltway Plaza. Fix Franklin Park rodent problem
- We need noise barriers along the Beltway and Kenilworth Avenue
- Yes, Circulator, Economic Development Director, Marketing Director, Coordinator and collaboration of events and organizations

#### Mailed/delivered

- Fight maglev. Fight BW Pkwy widening. Oppose increased density. Protect GHI
- Improve technology and hold more technology training, especially for seniors. More healthy food in Co-op. An H-Mart store in the City would be a dream!
- Lighting between 11 and 13 Court Ridge - GARDENSIDE replace trees that have been cut down
- Sidewalks along Crescent Road. Reduce the sign pollution (randomly placed signs) at Crescent Road near Kenilworth

#### Web

- Another senior housing building; keeping/encouraging City jobs available for City residents and as much full time employment as possible; paying good wages to attract and keep employees
- Ban plastic bags. Place solar panels on city buildings that call for them. Educate residents about composting and encourage yard waste compost. Replace with LED lighting in City buildings and outdoors. Encourage business to rent space in Greenbelt. There are so many empty office buildings in all parts of Greenbelt. Finish promised path from Greenbelt Station to Greenbelt Metro before Jan 1, 2018. Take effective action when hearing resident's concerns and solutions to problems
- More programs for homeless people. Work on improving the whole of Roosevelt Center - its buildings and grounds as well as seeing if it is possible to get postal service and MVA services at the center. I would also love to see more in the way of help for small business owners who are a little lost in start-up, or all of the things that go with running a business. It can be very daunting and confusing - what kind of license do I need? How do I pay my taxes? How do I do my books? Mentorship for startups and businesses that need a little help
- More volunteer activities in parks and similar places that take place on weekends, holidays, or evenings, so people working full time can join in
- No development. I'd like to see improvements to our current commercial buildings
- Sidewalk/crosswalk access to Buddy Attick Park would be beneficial. Allowing people to have chickens in their yard would be beneficial
- Stop looking backwards and try looking forwards
- Yes! Greenbelt Cooperative Light and Power. Give grants to property owners to install solar or wind with batteries in beneficial places. Make Greenbelt a decentralized power island in which we can create partnerships with neighboring communities to act as a decentralized network of generation and storage nodes. The light in Light and Power will refer to the municipal broadband services this new co-op will also provide to every member. So all you have to do is find millions of dollars to buy the infrastructure, our infrastructure, back from the monopolists or seize it through eminent domain. If you want to reduce inequality the people have to start clawing back the commons (remember the commons? oh FDR planned community). There are certain industries that are necessary for



everyone to live life on as equal a footing as possible, in these cases we don't need faux competition, price gouging and bad service due to too large a footprint, we need an imposed floor in which we allow none of our citizens to live beneath. In our time a child without Internet access is not being provided a basic floor with which to thrive and compete with more privileged children. Also power should be free and after initial investment and sustainable budgeting practices are paid back/implemented, members should receive dividends.

## Other Comments

### 5. Other Comments:

*Note that a number in parentheses after a response indicates how many individuals gave that same response.*

## Other Public Services/Infrastructure

### Precinct 3

- Add lighting at Kenilworth and Cherrywood Lane. I would like to see Councilmembers act more professional, not only with the citizens, but with each other! The bad behavior by Councilmembers here lately is totally unacceptable and should not be tolerated!!
- Allow water fountain outside Youth Center at Buddy Attick Park to run beyond August. I'll chip in!!
- Crosswalks need to be safer; I like the one at St. Hughes
- Greenbelt should run a small/medium-sized compost facility at Northway field - or at another location- or pursue smaller compost operations in Greenbelt
- I do appreciate the services for the elderly, particularly Greenbelt Connection
- In Fitness Center, the weight room is too hot in the summertime; needs additional air conditioning
- Just because I have not used a program/offering, like the Greenbelt Museum, does not in any way mean that I don't value it or wish to support it with my tax dollars
- Keep fighting for our green space. The longer we retain it, the more valuable it becomes to developers/Prince George's County/Maryland. Let's not be named for what we have destroyed!
- More police interacting on the streets versus in their cars. Open house for police and firefighters so we know who they are and they can get to know us. Increase pool cleanings. Thanks!
- My street (Pinecrest Ct) is in need of re-paving, but the streets overall are fine
- Please publish results online and in News Review. Would like Greenbelt CARES to do more about suicide prevention and support to survivors
- Priorities of government: (1) public safety; (2) trash/recycling collection; and (3) making space in Community Center, etc., available to groups who want to sponsor/have programs on their own initiative
- Protect natural open space; use open space money on natural lands (not facilities), and don't develop natural open space. A ball field is NOT environmentally friendly or natural open space. Need to protect our dwindling woodlands

- Quit trying to push the composting at every event. Compost bins should NOT be placed near food being served - germ hazard
- Roosevelt Center needs revitalization
- Some street lights aren't working (are out or on all day)
- The museum should get more City-funded staff. It is a vital part of Greenbelt's past, present, and future and with the expansion to 10A the City dedicated staff should increase
- The older apartment buildings are only being upgraded inside if the tenants will pay more money. Tin cabinets, poor wiring and cracking terraces plague the building. The landlord raise the rent but tenants get nothing for the dollar. Landlords should be held to higher standards
- Trash and recycling staff are terrible; have broken my paver lights, recycling bin; throws things all over my yard
- Very worried about homelessness and folks hanging out with nothing productive to do. Need more options/help. Maybe Greenbelt Cares needs someone to outreach to these folks. Need programs for teens - look in recreation brochure - lots of pages of things for seniors; almost nothing for ages 12-16. Center has rooms for seniors; Community Center should have a room for families where young kids could go hang out (like the seniors). Community Center should have an art room open for kids (18 and under) to go after school and on weekends. Community Center uses lots of rooms for artist studio space - don't think they benefit enough; rooms could be used to benefit more folks! Solar panels - form a Co-op so all Greenbelt (including City) can purchase panels less expensively. At the Center - in an open building- should form a business incubator center. If at the Center, near maker space and restaurants, to bring business back to the center of Greenbelt. Schools are a problem; they divide the City. I know students that go to 10 or more different schools. If not lucky in lottery- not always good. Also, to have a close community, kids need to go to the same schools. This will only happen when schools are better
- Why are there 3 animal control officers paid by our taxes - 1 should do!!
- Why doesn't City do snow and trash removal in Belle Point? We are city and pay City taxes
- Why is it suggested that taxes must be raised in order to provide fair compensation to employees? Are they not currently compensated fairly?
- Working for environmental sustainability now will help keep "Greenbelt (is) great" for those who will be here into the future
- Would be good to know how our police department is responding to the requests of Black Lives Matter/racial justice movements - that there is training, etc., to prevent abuse and discrimination

#### Precinct 6

- A shorter survey if possible and more frequently done or publicized to all age groups. A box on top of page 1 of this News Review to alert readers of the survey and its purpose
- ACE should actually give advice on the actual education and mis-education of our children
- Clean the statues on the Community Center
- Continue supporting arts programs for all ages and all kinds of arts
- Create a dedicated room in Community Center for yoga and mat classes. Have dedicated are for shoes and keep the floor clean. Put modern windows and adjustable heating and cooling in Community Center. The current lighting and cooling upgrades are a joke
- Façade of historic center school (Community Center) is looking grimey- needs cleaning

- Glad library is open Sundays, and using cloud for digital media. I hope the movie theater can stay viable, and suspect it brings business to Old Greenbelt. Don't let it become cookie-cutter, help independents to do business there
- Indoor pool is very much over chlorinated. Swimsuits fade because of it and body suits smell awful. Indoor pool could be a little warmer
- Keep the Old Greenbelt theater going
- Need to encourage Metro to keep B-30 to BWI as a hourly route 7 days a week
- Please bring back Circus Camp for spring break and summer cam options
- Please, please give instructors at Community Center access easily to wi-fi so they can enhance their class offerings. Get rid of the most uncomfortable folding chairs in classrooms
- Police department needs better front desk support. Sometimes there's nobody there
- Remove signs at playgrounds warning that the equipment might be hot
- Schools are overcrowded. The class sizes should be much smaller (e.g., no more than 15 kids/class in the elementary schools). My son's kindergarten class has 28 students this year
- This survey is very, very long
- Trash pickups needs to be more careful. Please don't leave trash cans in driveways. Bicyclists need to stop at stop signs
- When it comes to seniors – we do not have electronic devices – still need a way to communicate with us

#### Precinct 8

- Continue to revisit school rezoning for Greenbelt Station and Greenbelt schools - Springhill/Greenbelt Middle/ERHS!
- Greenbelt Station does not receive many City services yet our taxes are so high. The City should take over the maintenance of all roads and trash and snow removal in the community
- Greenbelt Station homes are currently not zoned for Eleanor Roosevelt High School. This should change as we pay taxes to Greenbelt and not Berwyn Heights
- I observed Berwyn Heights Police stopping people on the Greenbelt side which I think isn't their side of jurisdiction, all the way to Greenbelt Mall - not sure it's their jurisdiction but don't think so
- I'd like to adjust the long left turn light on 193 as you enter Greenbelt Station. First, I'd like to see improvements to local day care facilities and grade schools so I can consider staying here long enough to raise my children
- Need path to Metro and better schools to compete with Montgomery County
- We need a path to Greenbelt Metro from Greenbelt Station housing development

#### Precinct 13

- Bus service has improved, but we should not have lost service for weekends for the B30
- Housing affordability affected by #3 and 4 also. Serious issue unaddressed appropriately
- I like the library being open on Sundays. More police patrols in Greenbelt East
- I would like the City police be a little more courteous when dealing with situations – last month we were prohibited from driving down Hanover Parkway for domestic dispute. I, as a

single lady by myself had to wait until after 11:30 pm to get to my house – I was not asking for information regarding situation – but just how to get home. No help offered – found out a few hours later – people were getting through. Just be courteous, please. I know it is a tough job and you have my respect

- More affordable housing and job training and daycare, for people in the South and East of Old Greenbelt
- Need more recycling
- Residential properties in Greenwood Village serving as daycare programs are causing inconvenient in fluctuations in morning/evening commuting traffic in the subdivisions. Safety concerns
- Towing of cars at Windsor Green is very aggressive. It's okay if ticket are just issued but our money goes to the towing company and the security which connive with each other. They're making it a business

#### Precinct 18

- Access to 295 south from eastbound 193 is terrible- the road is a washboard road that makes my head rattle! Fix it please!
- Early voting needs to be extended at Schrom Hills. I have lived in Greenbelt for over 20 years and I still love it!
- Get police who care about the job not about their ego. They should be the example not the problem
- Greenbelt is great! Greenbelt Middle School is very overcrowded, too many kids. School isn't big enough. There are six lunches, my 6th grader eats at 10:20am and gets out of school at 3:40pm. That is too long of a day for kids not to eat a snack
- I would like to freely teach kids and adults the simple, basic form of the verb to be, e.g., It is I instead of it is me

#### Early Voting

- A variety of housing types are needed to keep Greenbelt affordable. More senior housing is needed to keep seniors from moving out of the community
- Adequate services for people who are homeless. This is essential for our community
- Aquatic Center – great; more support for the Greenbelt Movie Theater
- Ballots should indicate the candidate's party affiliation. I guess they're all Democrats but who knows?
- City facilities vary, but all the ones I've dealt with get higher scores simply because of the people's pleasant attitudes and most frequently competence
- Franklin Park community needs a soccer field. Our children play soccer. There are no fields in Franklin Park
- Free membership for the Aquatic Center for seniors
- Greenbelt police need training in how to engage citizens during traffic stops in a way that proactively builds community
- I am concerned about the county zoning rewrite and what will happen to GHI. Will we be able to have additions to age in place
- I am firmly against the Maglev train proposal and the widening of the BW Parkway proposal. I am for supporting our neighborhood schools

- Need better enforcement of non-smoking areas and expansion of non-smoking to include all trails and walkways
- Please be involved in opposing the use of Greenbelt for the newly planned rapid transport programs and project
- The city website should be checked regularly for accuracy. I recently went to MOM in College Park to recycle CFC bulbs. MOM told me Ikea and Lowe's now handle this. I notified the department responsible for that web page. A week later, the page wasn't updated
- Two times-a-week trash pickup needed

#### Mailed/delivered

- Greenbelt city should be tax free on commodities like groceries
- I have stopped my water aerobics class due to the indoor pool water temperature. Its like getting into a tub of ice cubes. Have made numerous complaints which have been heard by deaf ears. We even signed a petition. This is not a free class. The water temperature sign displayed is never accurate.
- Keep Greenbelt safe and clean; it is slowly wearing down by the trashy areas, just take a ride around and you will see
- Pole lights needed at intersection of Greenbelt Road and Southway. Very dark at night when turning off at Greenbelt Road onto Southway. Visibility is poor

#### Web

- How about a residency requirement of 1 or 2 years in order to be eligible to run for City Council
- Greenbelt offers easy access to the Washington-Baltimore Metropolitan District, it has an educated work force, diverse cultural offerings and space to grow. We need to expand those attributes and push them when we court outside businesses
- I imagine there are programs/services that are really not worth the money spent on them. As I said - cost/benefit?
- City government seems a bit stale. High hopes for the new city manager and hopefully a couple challengers will break through our incumbent-protection city council racket
- Here's a cheap suggestion on pedestrian safety: Install a bunch of those flashing radar signs that show vehicle speed. I find them very helpful as a reminder. I guess that would cut revenue from the Cherrywood and Crescent speed traps, though
- Homeless people near, in, and at the Library need to be moved
- The Museum and its new visitor center are a critical element to revitalizing Greenbelt's core
- With the overpasses described above, Greenbelters will be able to access the impressive network of Bike Paths in the DC/Maryland/Virginia area ("DMV" for short). This will further reduce car use and dependency
- I got a parking ticket on New Year's because, although I had registered my car, I had only put one of the two registration stickers on my car (i.e., the stickers for year and month of expiration). Given that the license plate of a car is tied to its registration, the only reason I can think of that a sticker would be needed is so that police can give tickets (and get money) for improperly-attached stickers. As one of my few interactions with the Greenbelt Police Department, I was very disappointed to find out that such things could happen in Greenbelt. If the Greenbelt Police wants to maintain a positive impression, I would

recommend not enforcing laws like this. If the car is not registered then certainly that's a problem, but a fine for not having one of two registration stickers? That's ridiculous

- Besides having a PERMANENT, LARGE PRINT link to the animal control laws on the GHI website, the government website and the information wall, they should be reprinted in the GNR, periodically AND they should be included periodically along with the Communicator door hanger
- Let 16-year-old young adults vote
- Greenbelt needs to realize that we are now in the 21st century. Stop relying on individual taxes to fund services, attack businesses that will pay more taxes
- The Department of Housing to hold classes for first time home buyers, who want to buy homes in Greenbelt community, and learn about living in the community as a home owner
- Greenbelt will eventually die if we continue on the path of strip malls and drive-ins and high-speed roads. We need more housing and modern transit-oriented development near bus lines and bike lanes. Our heritage is "green" and "housing" and we should build on that. Whoever decided we should have 6-8 lane highways everywhere was an idiot -- terrible for our community and newer, better, businesses. Good riddance to ex-police chief and ex-community planner. I know that's mean, but it was long past time for a change. For the future, please include the website on the hard copy so people know how to access it online. I'm sure many people at the voting site, saw the detailed questions, saw no way to access it online and left without completing it. The Roosevelt Center needs more "heft" and density, without more cars. I would support increasing the height of the buildings to accommodate mixed residential and offices. Residential must be majority owner-occupied co-ops or condos than rentals. We need to revisit some of the ideas presented at the charrette that was presented ca. 2007. I encourage transition of the Roosevelt Center from private landlords into public hands, either in the form of the City, business collective or some other non-profit entity that would own the Center. As long as the Center is in private hands it cannot improve significantly. The priority of the landlords is making money. Were the City or a non-profit created for such purpose able to assume ownership, perhaps grants could be sought - or funds invested in initial improvements that would revitalize the RC to begin a "virtuous cycle" of economic and cultural growth. It's a waste of time to try to work with these landlords. In short: in whatever way possible, GET ROOSEVELT CENTER OUT OF PRIVATE HANDS INTO PUBLIC HANDS! Then, go from there into a brighter future. I have spoken with people who have lived here for years and they are not aware they even exist. They can't be obeyed if people don't know they're there

## Leadership/Governance

### Precinct 3

- Beverly Palau is doing an A+ job
- Employees who are great: Alexa Lauber (Public Works); Mary Johnson, Julie Magness (Human Resources); Carol Meetrie (Aquatics Center)
- I was surprised by how hard it was to find videos of the candidate forums for this election online. The progressive forum posted something eventually, but I thought there were other events as well
- I'd like to vote separately for mayor. I wouldn't even mind if Council had veto power but that would help people not just vote for 1 or 2 people. I also think Council should make the decision to allow non-citizen residents to vote, and that that should be a separate question from 16-and-17-year olds. I also support that, but don't feel as strongly about that- they'll get to vote soon

- We should change the process for electing a mayor so that we can vote separately for the mayor. The current system encourages voters to not vote for Council members they would like to have on Council in order to elect the mayoral candidate they want

#### Precinct 6

- City council needs to live within a budget. Either get more rateables from new businesses coming into the city or reduce superfluous subsidies. The homeowner is not the cash cow or solution for the city. As you can see I don't use or need most of the city services because I work full-time

#### Precinct 8

- I know the dam restructure is of primary importance, and everyone is disappointed about the FBI delay/cancellation, but no matter, there should be a temporary hiker/biker path from Greenbelt Station to the Metro Station soon, or matters and tensions will increase to an ugly public display
- None
- Still new and not familiar with matters on this survey
- We just moved here - still slowly getting the lay of the land here

#### Precinct 13

- I would like to see term limits enacted for City Council. I suggest 5 – 2 year terms for ten years
- Keeping Greenbelt a small community does not mean seeing things short sighted. That appears to be and has been the version (or lack) of the Council as a whole

#### Precinct 18

- Fire Putens. He sucks!!!

#### Early Voting

- Diversity is very important. And the “insiders” are prevalent. For example, candidates are not supposed to be at the polling stations. But J Davis walked in and a pro-referendum booklet is on the table where people are filling out their votes. Greenbelt is very insulate
- Let us know more about how we can oppose maglev. Since 2 of the proposed routes go through Greenbelt, there should be a meeting (or more than one) so that citizens can tell maglev representatives and Governor Hogan's office what we think. Don't widen 295 or the Beltway. Oppose maglev
- Reduce bureaucracy. Follow-up with three quick turnarounds instead of languishing in red tape
- Surprised by how undemocratically Greenbelt's leadership is elected. I've lived in a similar sized city represented by wards and it was much better
- The City Council does a tremendous job at recommendation for every issue discussed for the center, equalize the process by discussing Greenbelt East and Greenbelt West. It's great to try to keep “the green” in Greenbelt, but not at the expense of convenience, beauty, and cultural awareness within Greenbelt East and Greenbelt West

#### Mailed/delivered

- This City needed new leadership but did not vote for it. Therefore many of us will have to vote with our feet, i.e., leave

### Web

- I think that Council meets too often and for too long. Meeting should be kept at under 3 hours. The length and frequency of the meetings doesn't make running for Council appealing to citizens and puts an undue hardship on people with young families who might want to run. The Mayor should just read a list of activities and Council should raise their hands indicating they attended the events rather than this go around the table method where each person says what events they attended. I think there should be term limits for Council
- I think the City needs to consider Council districts rather than having every elected official be at large. I moved from College Park and one thing I don't like about Greenbelt is that I don't have a district council representative, so I never know who to call when I want to talk about a City-related issue. We shouldn't keep electing the same people over and over again, but unless you move to district positions, it is inevitable. These aren't supposed to be lifetime positions, and since there are no terms limits, moving to district seats seems like the next best option
- Set term limits for Council members

## Multiple/Miscellaneous Topics

### Precinct 3

- Are car charging stations for residents only? Is there a charge?
- Don't rehire "Mad Frank" as a dance teacher
- Greenbelt is a nice place to live but some of the things here are very biased to younger people and it is not affordable anymore. I don't make enough to live on my own here; I have to find roommates which is not ideal
- I currently rent an apartment but I plan to purchase a Co-op home and remain in this community
- I feel like Greenbelt has a lot of potential to be a grounded space for young adults and teens. We should listen to the people who are going to be running the offices in the future
- I support Leonardo Center-type development at Metro. Council should be proactive. Stop development of 295! Stop maglev, hyperloop or anything that will impact the woods!
- I would support 2 four-year terms followed by at least one term away. I would support more mixed use of Beltway Plaza, especially if residential units were owner-occupied
- If you ever want to make your questionnaires a bit better, I have questionnaire design experience. Call me - I'd do it for free!
- In past years I had noticed an element of "dangerous youths" at the outdoor pool and Labor Day Festival. Just youths with loud behavior and impolite attitudes. This year it felt more peaceable. I don't know how that happened but I am grateful. Thank you!
- Is there no way to buy out the owner of Roosevelt Center?
- Let people know about Mary Cliff's folk radio program on Saturday nights 9-12pm on WERA FM. She publicizes "New Deal Café in Greenbelt" music events!
- None (2)
- Please keep Greenbelt the unique place it is. More population and tax revenue (lower taxes for me) are not worth losing that. Bring back paper ballots. Don't rely on unaccountable and unverifiable machines. We need the paper records as backup
- Roosevelt Center needs help; not friendly to loafers



## City of Greenbelt, Maryland, 2017 Community Survey Responses to Open-ended Questions 1-5

- Survey needs “not applicable” choice (or “no experience”) on most questions
- Thanks for reading! Have a nice day!

### Precinct 6

- I have lived here less than a year. More time needed to be aware of everything available
- I have lived in Greenbelt most of the last 60 years. Now that I’m retired, I volunteer with five or six different Greenbelt organizations. Talk is cheap, Greenbelt is great, keep it progressive, green, kind and fun
- No more dog parks; reduce traffic in neighborhood; more policing in communities; make neighborhoods safer for families
- None (2)
- We have a lot to do in terms of adjusting our expectations. Preserving quality of life is vital in the age of Trump

### Precinct 8

- Greenbelt is an excellent place to live
- Husband and I moved to Greenbelt specifically to live away from D.C. but still have an easy commute to city. We bought our home at Greenbelt Station townhomes based on the promised trail to the Station
- I love living here
- I moved here two years ago and love the City. I am willing to work to make Greenbelt great
- Thank you! Make this available online so more people can submit whether they voted or not!!

### Precinct 13

- No

### Precinct 18

- None (3)

### Early Voting

- Moved here in 1952 as a new bride. Raised 4 children. Left in 1979, moved back in 2005 when I became widowed. When my have 2 daughters who moved back within a year of my move. We are in “Old Greenbelt” within walking distance of each other, 3 bedroom brick
- More leadership in organic land care and pesticide net reduction
- None (2)

### Mailed/delivered

- Fundraising ideas: (1) for the City- a calendar which features pictures around town; (2) for the animal shelter - a sign for the window that says, "Fireman, please save my (dog) (cat)"
- Sorry I work a lot and don't get to experience Greenbelt community. Also have no kids
- The historic sculptures on the community center and in Roosevelt Plaza should be better preserved. Police should better enforce traffic rules within old Greenbelt

### Web

- Haven't lived here long enough to comment
- None
- I don't if can continue to live in Greenbelt, I really like Greenbelt, but my property taxes are very high

## **Economic and Community Development**

### Precinct 3

- Please consider using more solar/wind power
- Some concern about excess energy dedicated to keeping Greenbelt old. That was not one of the founders' intentions

### Precinct 6

- Greenbelt is great. It should be preserved and not over-developed
- Greenbelt should lobby the State more often for issues that are State controlled but affect Greenbelt specifically. I don't think we should wait for FBI. We should get a smaller development next to the Metro
- I hope that development will honor our history while taking us into the 21st century
- Need to keep Greenbelt from further development. More charging stations
- Our biggest challenge in the next 20-30 years is that development around Greenbelt Metro will shift the center of gravity and economic activity away from Old Greenbelt. That will be difficult for the old Greenbelters to accept
- Prioritize stopping widening of 495 and the BW Parkway. Oppose maglev unless it's totally underground

### Precinct 8

- Beltway Plaza desperately needs to be revitalized as Greenbelt Town Center, similar to Laurel Towne Center, Springfield Town Center and forthcoming Prince George's Plaza redo. Also refurbish Roosevelt Center with at least a fresh coat of paint
- Metrorail path is highest priority as a voter
- Redo Beltway Plaza Mall

### Precinct 13

- I hope the FBI eventually comes to Greenbelt since the employees already live in Metro area and will have least impact on traffic/housing. If not, we need an anchor store or employer to attract people to any commercial development there
- Question – is Greenbelt going to be affected by possible rapid express line? I had heard something about and would be disappointed if it were true
- Support small businesses. There are currently no programs, incentives or resources to encourage and support business owners who reside, employee and do business in Greenbelt

Precinct 18

- Concerned about Greenbelt Theatre sustainability?
- FBI building come to Greenbelt and Beltway Plaza become Greenbelt Town Center. But let us not lose what Greenbelt is all about - family

Early Voting

- Council needs to act more promptly. The dam has needed re-painting for over 10 years. Now the cost is \$2.5 million. I still remember the public works building cost
- I am very concerned about future plans to develop Old Greenbelt, put in more density and compromise greenspace. I will vote to retain the character of Old Greenbelt so it remains green, walkable and community oriented
- Please acquire a replacement van for the shopping trips offered by the Recreation Center
- Support more affordable healthy restaurants in Old Greenbelt
- The Beltway Plaza Mall needs a facelift and better stores. The police office was closed – why? I would not visit this mall in the evening because of safety concerns. Better lighting, improved building facades and better stores would improve this Mall. Also parking spaces in some areas are very small
- We need to make a “Greenbelt Town Center.” Beltway Plaza hasn’t changed in 30 years, just different stores. We need this to encourage business to our city. Look at what Laurel Mall has become. We need something like that. We need to bring as much revenue into the city and I know this is one way of doing it. It would invite restaurants, retail, even doctor’s office and even other practices. Please lets change Beltway Plaza to “Greenbelt Town Center”

Mailed/delivered

- To City employees - HELP NEW DEAL CAFÉ: eat, drink, have coffee; bring your friends!!

Web

- Become friendly towards businesses, especially pubs. The Roosevelt Center could become a destination, much like "downtown" Silver Spring (the area surrounding the AFI Silver Theatre) is a destination if only we didn't have tee-totaling, anti-business councilmen in charge
- Buy up the Roosevelt Center so the absentee landlords can no longer obstruct improvements
- I would like to see redevelopment like Laurel or Hyattsville. Bring in restaurants and shopping that will attract younger generations.
- Increase cell phone coverage please
- Replace Beltway Plaza with a walkable town center. Make better use of Franklin Park housing area or replace. Spice up Old Greenbelt with grass, paint, benches, clean
- The City should work with current and potential businesses better

## Multiple/Miscellaneous Likes

### Precinct 3

- Good place to live
- Good survey
- Great job Greenbelt!
- Great place to live. Keep pressure on NO widening 1-95/495
- Great questionnaire- makes you think about important issues!
- Greenbelt is great (4)
- I like living in Greenbelt!
- I love living here
- I love living in Greenbelt (2)
- I think the City/Council/City employees are doing a great job!!!! We'll never please everyone. I love living in Greenbelt!!!
- Keep Greenbelt great and always do the right thing!
- Love living here
- Old Greenbelt is unique in the entire D.C. area. Treasure it. Meanwhile, look at sprawl and underdevelopment along Greenbelt Road. Greenbelt Station seems to be a great example of better use of this inside-the-beltway development. Redeveloping Beltway Plaza property or at least better facades seems necessary to get this going!
- Overall, I really enjoy living in Greenbelt. The affordable and decent housing is a very valuable quality. I am grateful to be a resident and am motivated to contribute positively to this community that I have grown to love!
- Thank you
- Thank you for all your work and care on the behalf of our community!
- Thank you for taking the time to ask these questions
- Thank you- new resident - August 2017. Very pleased here; moved from Capitol Hill, D.C.
- Thanks (2)
- Thanks for all you do
- Thanks for asking - this is thorough
- Thanks!
- Very happy with our first year in GHI! Looking forward to move. We have an 11-month-old daughter and would like to send her to Prince George's County public neighborhood schools. Our decision to stay will hinge on whatever resources continue to fund such schools over charter/magnet schools. Please help improve the schools in time!
- We love Greenbelt! We love MOST of its people and like the rest!
- We love living here

### Precinct 6

- Good as is and Greenbelt is great
- Great job
- Happy to be a GHI member for 20 years. Thank for all you do

- I love living here. The café can't support the community as a "living room" but I wish it could. It's nice to have a place to "hang out," use the Internet, and socialize with friends/acquaintances
- I love living in Greenbelt
- I remain healthy at 75 by walking the lake three times-a-week and doing aqua aerobics two times-a-week
- I support the Greenbelt Animal Shelter
- Keep up the "good work." Try to influence Prince George's County to improve their performance
- Love Greenbelt
- Love living in Greenbelt
- Terrific as is and Greenbelt is great
- Thank you
- Thank you for all you do to make this community what it is
- Thank you to all our public servants who keep our city running
- Thanks (2)
- Thanks to everyone who helped with the city election
- Very good community overall
- We love living in Greenbelt. Thanks to everyone who makes it a safe and happy community in which to live and bring up children

#### Precinct 8

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- Thank you! Make this available online so more people can submit whether they voted or not!!

#### Precinct 13

- Great job, thanks
- Greenbelt is a great place to live
- Have a Blessed day
- I love living in Greenbelt
- Keep Greenbelt "green" if possible. No tall buildings
- Love the city. Own and rent here. City needs to keep old feel but still revitalize
- This is truly the nicest area in which I have lived. I've lived in apartments in Laurel and in Columbia (Owen Brown). This community is superior in every way. Love this place. Yay

Precinct 18

- Thank you!
- This has been a wonderful place to live and raise my children. I love Greenbelt
- We love Greenbelt

Early Voting

- Been here for years and very glad I was able to move to Old Greenbelt
- Chris Cherry and company are a splendid and unique asset
- Great job
- Greenbelt is a great community for all ages but especially retirees and seniors. Thank you
- Greenbelt is great (2)
- I love Greenbelt
- I'm happy to live here
- Proud to have lived here for almost 8 years
- Thank you
- Thank you for all you do and seeking suggestions
- Thank you for asking
- Thank you for everything you do
- This is why I love living here. They allow everyone to have a say even if it is not addressed at least the community leaders do ask our opinion. Thank you
- We love Greenbelt

Mailed/Delivered

- Good job on the whole and good communication and cooperation within town
- Has been very welcoming to us. Thanks!
- I have lived here for well over sixty years. Thanks and keep up the good work!
- Mostly grateful to live in Greenbelt. It has taken some getting used to
- Overall, great job! Greenbelt is still great. Let's keep it that way
- Since I am deaf I have lived in the same unit for 51 years. Therefore I am a proud Greenbelt citizen as of 11-7-17
- Thank you!
- The City is amazing- absolutely the best place to live!

Web

- Glad we moved here!
- I enjoyed this survey. I learned a little more about my community
- I like it here. I hope that never changes
- I love Greenbelt!

- I really like Greenbelt and have high hopes for its success as a very unique community with a unique history and character that can be an exemplary city not just in Maryland but in the United States as a whole if it retains that original purpose and character while embracing innovation and diversity
- Just an appreciation that you did this survey - thank you for all that you do
- Keep up the good work
- Keep up the good work. Love living in Greenbelt and would love to be able to purchase a home here one day
- Thank you (3)
- Thank you for having this survey for community members to contribute to the development of our good city. The survey tool itself was somewhat cumbersome and should have been piloted prior to use but overall, you are doing a good job
- Thank you for offering this survey
- Thank you for reaching out through this survey
- Thank you for the questionnaire
- Thank you for your public service
- Thank you--please keep up the Contra Dancing and all the fine work Karen Hasely developed. I don't understand why a new employee wasn't brought on while she was still here to train them
- Thanks for giving everyone a voice. You go Greenbelt!
- The City does a great job. Its employees are really the trick - they are so helpful

## Multiple/Miscellaneous Dislikes

### Precinct 3

- I can't afford to be a member of the Aquatic/Fitness Club
- No
- We are a little spoiled. We could do with a little less recreation since many other organizations also put on festivals, meetings, classes

### Precinct 6

- I'm not optimistic, and am bracing for social breakdown, increased crime and terrible discourse encouraged by social media and the current leaders at the Federal Government level
- Stop arresting people for simple possession of marijuana
- Want the City/County to aggressively oppose Hogan's proposal to widen Beltway/BW Parkway. Support purple line construction. The classroom for evening yoga/pilates classes is not appropriate for these activities. Lack of ability to control temperature in this room is not acceptable. Floor surface is not suitable for these activities

### Early Voting

- P.A. system at Labor Day Festival too loud

### Mailed/delivered

- Connecting Greenbelt is hapless. Look at traffic in historic Greenbelt. Ruining the ambiance and tranquility. What effect on air and water quality? Is it measured? Do we have a baseline? Forcing people to drive (4 lights to get to P.O! Cars/buses queued at elementary school every day, idling!) Cars coming to library, community center, recreation department. Added lights on Greenbelt Road, as if we needed that. This is a small, bedroom community. What's coming - high rises, so we go all Silver Spring? Band with surrounding towns to change the county government, so we have local zoning control! This can be done. The city and county quality have deteriorated markedly in my lifetime
- No
- Property taxes are too high. I am a senior citizen with many fiscal responsibilities. Taxes are too high. Deer, groundhogs, foxes, rabbits, squirrels and snakes are destroying my landscape. Rules are too rigid for wild animals and my fear of rabid animals and ticks

### Web

- I have lived in Greenbelt my entire life as a Lakewood resident and I'm so disappointed at the City's lack of addressing the growing number of unkept homes and yards. From foot tall grass to dirty siding, missing shutters, front yard debris and shrubs encroaching the sidewalks, Lakewood in particular is becoming an eyesore. Even the entrance at Crescent Road is only maintained a few times a year and is just weeds and tall grass most of the time. I am tired of hearing how "run down" my neighborhood is looking. I hope that the City I love will begin to address this issue. Thank you
- Please stop trying to expand and urbanize. Even if big new employers or denser housing would reduce my taxes, it isn't worth it. Greenbelt is a small, green, very nice community, and I want it to stay that way. I chose to move here for a reason