

Preliminary Tabulations

of the

Community Survey

for the

Comprehensive Plan Update

For Bellbrook Planning Board June 7, 2018

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## THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOCUS ON IMAGE AND PERCEPTION:

#### What is the main reason you are in Bellbrook?

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Schools (60 responses, 39.2%)
- Grew Up Here (24 responses, 15.7%)
- Housing (21 responses, 13.7%)
- No Income Tax (19 responses, 12.4%)
- Job (12 responses, 7.8%)
- Large Lots (11 responses, 7.2%)
- Friendly (6 responses, 3.9%)

#### In one or two words, describe Bellbrook to someone who has never been here.

141 of 153 Answered (92.2%)



- a friendly, open-space community
- A growing community with excellent schools.
- A nice small peaceful community with good schools
- a small, friendly, rural in nature community
- o Accommodating
- o Beautiful, uncrowded
- o bedroom community
- o big trees
- o boring
- City snubs old neighborhoods; worships mcmansions
- City with a small town feel
- o Clean and Homey

- Close country
- Close knit
- o comfortable
- Community
- Community
- o Community feel
- o Community oriented
- o convenience
- o country feel
- o Cozy
- Easy Living
- Edge of Rural small community, beautiful
  - trees.
- Family centered
- o Family friendly
- Family friendly.
- Former small townFriendly
- Friendly

- Friendly
- o Friendly
- $\circ \quad \text{friendly} \quad$
- o Friendly
- o Friendly close-knit town
- o Friendly community
- o Friendly community
- Friendly Community
- Friendly rural
- o Friendly, small town
- $\circ \quad \text{ Getting big } \quad$
- o Great city
- o Great community
- Great Community with Very Good Schools.
- o Great schools
- Great schools/parks, close to everything but quiet
- Green and country
- Growing too quickly

- o has potential
- Historic Small Town with untapped potential
- o Home
- Hometown feel, wonderful people
- o Homey
- Like living in a park
- Neighborly
- o Nice area
- o Nice Communities
- o nice community
- o no tax
- Normal Midwest
- o Not over-populated
- o OK
- o Open feel
- o Open land
- o Open space, small town
- o Peaceful
- o Quaint
- o Quaint
- Quaint and friendly
- quaint quiet country community close to
  - everything Quaint town
- Quaint Town
- Quaint village
- $\circ \quad \text{Quiet} \quad$
- o quiet

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- Quiet & friendly
- Quiet & Small
- Quiet Community
- o Quite
- Quite
- Rolling hills and great schools.

- Rural atmosphere while still in close proximity
- o Safe
- Safe , friendly, beautiful
- Safe and easy
- o schools, safe
- o Serene
- o Small
- o Small
- o Small wholesome town
- Small & Cozy
- o Small & Quiet
- Small community
- o small growing city
- o Small hometown
- o small hometown feel
- Small hometown, primarily residential, no growth
- small residential community
- o small rural-ish suburb
- o small suburban town
- o small suburban town
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- Small town
- o Small town charm
- small town feel
- o Small town feel

- Small town feel, friendly
- small town feel, out of the way
- Small town feeling close to large town needs.
- small town near big city amenities
- Small town with awesome schools
- Small town with lots of open area
- Small town with lots of trees and nature
- Small town, high quality
- o Small town. Friendly
- Small wealthy neighborhood
- Small, basic
- Small, caring community
- o small, friendly
- o Small, friendly
- o Small, friendly, safe.
- Small-town feel with a great, invested community
- Suburb with city features
- Unique
- o Unpretentious
- Upscale, excellent schools, safe
- Very open
- Walkable Community w/lush outdoor space
- o Welcoming
- o white suburb
- wonderful friendly community surrounded
  - by nature

#### What is the most important thing missing in Bellbrook?

128 of 153 Answered (83.7%)



- Protection from being annexed by Centerville
- o Bike path, rec center
- Bike/walking paths to downtown
- Connection to Spring Valley Bike Path
- hiking trails connected to the larger surrounding area, Spring Valley, Zenia & Sugarcreek
- A strong business orientation
- o charm
- Cornerstone development
- A bigger community center
- o Community Center
- o Community center
- Community gatherings
- country feel, too much small lot housing occurring
- Diversity
- A dog park.
- A cool downtown think
   Lebanon OH
- A healthy city center.
   Infrastructure is outdated and does not appeal to the thousands who drive thru daily.
- a more vibrant "main street"

- A recognizable, viable downtown that provides a sense of community.
- o A vibrant downtown
- A vibrant downtown
- A vibrant downtown area.
   Sorta looks pathetic.
   Lacks personality
- A walkable downtown with local shops to visit
- Active downtown
- Attractive town square
- o businesses downtown
- Continuity in the business district--better pathways, more parking, decorative lighting to create ambiance
- Cute, lively downtown area (think: waynesville)
- o Downtown improvements
- Downtown parking for business.
- Downtown, walkability, parking, updated restaurant / bar / grill
- More downtown attractions/parking
- Pedestrian Friendly downtown with places to
- Reasons to come to the downtown area
- o Thriving downtown
- o Thriving downtown
- o vibrant downtown

- Vibrant downtown area
- Vibrant downtown
   businesses; restaurant
- o Farmers markets
- Good Government
- the land is going to developers
- Larger lots
- larger lots, 5 acre minimum would be better
- o Leaf pickup
- A big library with same facilties as other greene county libraries such as Xenia, Fairborn, Beavercreek.
- Larger library
- o small manufacturing
- o Middle class
- o n/a
- So much shopping nearby, we really don't need much in Bellbrook
- o None
- $\circ \quad \text{nothing} \quad$
- o nothing
- Nothing
- Parking
- o police service
- Pro-development
  environment that will
  advocate and grow retail
  and business
  opportunities for
  residents

- Better property upkeep and ordinance enforcement
- Quality pubs/bars and restaurants.
- A rec center
- A recreation center
- A recreation center such as a YMCA
- a well organized rec league
- Adequate bike/walk path thru town
- Affordable pool
- Community splash pad for kids (old Castle park area) or convert the old school into a STEAM area like Columbus, Indiana created (URL: http://www.kidscommon s.org/about-us/missionand-history/)
- Hang out for kids
- o More Green Space
- o nature
- Outdoor gathering spaces and parking
- Playgrounds
- Public swim and fitness center
- o rec center
- o Rec center
- o Recreation center
- Recreation Center indoors
- o Recreational center
- Water park/splash pad

- A family restaurant (open for dinner)
- A quality restaurant (eg., Amelias)
- Bakery
- o Bakery/Donut shop
- o Dining
- o good food
- good restaurants
- healthy restaurant
- o Higher end restaurants
- In Bellbrook proper (not township), we need retail business and restaurants
- It seems to me that local restaurants struggle in Bellbrook. Perhaps look into why they fail so quickly.
- o kids parks
- Local food
- Micro Center
- More local restaurants in downtown area
- More mom and pop shops/restaurants
- More restaurants
- o Non chain restaurants
- Restaurant
- Restaurant or entertainment other than a bar
- o Restaurants
- o Restaurants
- o Restaurants
- Restaurants and Entertainment
- restaurants you can walk to

- Things to do in town.
   More restaurants,
   brewery, etc
- fashion shops
- Quality local owned shops downtown
- o retail stores
- o Retail, restaurants
- Shopping and restaurants downtown•
- Shops/dining downtown
- Small shops, like center of Centerville or Oakwood.
- o side walks
- Sidewalk on little sugarcreek
- Sidewalk on little sugarcreek road
- Sidewalk to Magee park
- Sidewalks
- Sidewalks
- The small town it used to be
- Storm sewers in downtown Bellbrook. All the water from the Plaza runs into the Presbyterian parking
- proper control of rainwater run off - need more drainage in older housing additions
- Lower taxes
- Tornado sirens, shelter
- o Growing too fast
- o Growing unchecked
- o Growth
- something for teenagers
- o Things for teens to do

#### Which part(s) of Bellbrook do you find most attractive?

134 of 153 Answered (87.6%)



- close access to I 675
- How close we are to stores and schools
- Downtown
- o Downtown
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- Downtown and soccer park
- Downtown and the view from the top of Upper Bellbrook Rd.
- Downtown- West of Main Street, Scenic Little
   Sugarcreek Rd. & Magee
   Park
- Good fire and police departments
- Diversity look in housing.
- o Kables Mill
- o Most residential areas.
- My neighborhood
- o Nice neighborhoods
- o residential areas
- o The neighborhoods
- o the neighborhoods
- Garden in front of the library
- library
- Library
- Library, parks, wooded lots, woods, rivers
- o Drive on Little Sugarcreek
- o Little Sugar Creek Drive
- o Little sugarcreek
- Little SugarcreekLittle Sugarcreek

- Little Sugarcreek Rd,
   Bellbrock Park
- Little Sugarcreek Rd.
- Little Sugarcreek road
- Little sugarcreek road,
   Magee park area
- Going up the hill toward the cemetery
- main street drive to the north
- Museum and Bellbrook
   Park, Winters Library,
- o newer developments
- o Newly constructed areas
- all parks and most neighborhoods
- Bellbrock and McGee
   Parks
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- Parks
- o Bellbrock Park
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- By the reserve
- Great parks
- o Green Space
- o green space and parks
- o Green spaces
- Magee Park
- Magee Park and Belbrock
   Park , the Reserve
- Maintained parks
- Natural spaces
- Nature environment
  - Park

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- park system
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- Parks
- o Parks & downtown
- Parks and neighborhoods
- Parks plus the connecting Bike and jogging tails
- Parks!
- o Parks,Library
- o parks, open spaces
- o Parks. Sweet Arrow

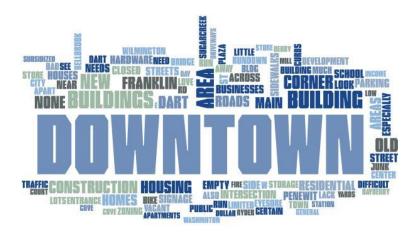
- o parks/ trees
- o Parks/open space
- Sugarcreek area ( open and green spaces)
- Sugarcreek reserve
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- o The hiking and open land
- o The metro parks
- o The open space
- o The parks
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- The parks and neighborhoods where homeowners maintain their property.
- o The parks and trees
- The parks and undeveloped areas
- The parks for sure
- o the reserve

- o the reserves
- o The Sugar Creek Reserve
- o Run/walk paths
- Walkable community/Love the Parks District, but would appreciate a walking path from Dots to Magee park, always see kids jumping over the guard rail.
- Community and schools
- o High school area
- Schools, sport fields, Blueberry Cafe, Dairy Shed
- o The schools
- The schools, Sweet Arrow Reserve, Sugarcreek Metro Park
- Small Community but great atmosphere.
- small feel, small downtown
- o Small town
- Small town, safe, quiet, the people are the best asset.

- The small town atmosphere is good.
  Sugar Maple Festival is great and should be expanded. The central business area should be updated to attract more visitors and new business
- The farm land and small town feel
- o Southern area
- Love the trees overhanging the roadways
- mature trees and country atmosphere
- North West section of town
- West side of city
- Nothing...the downtown looks awful!! For being a more wealthy community our downtown area needs major help!!

#### Which part(s) of Bellbrook do you find least attractive?

120 of 153 Answered (78.4%)



- Entrance to Bellbrook by fire station on Franklin
- o Apartments
- o bayberry cove
- Junk in driveways and/or yards.
- low income housing
- Ryder Court
- The Dollar General Store and the storage area at the corner of Washington Mill Rd and E. Franklin Street. Also the subsidized housing (Bay berry Cove) on W. Franklin Street.
- Non occupied businesses
- Aging homes on Main
   Street heading away from downtown, penewit hardwarre building falling apart
- Closed businesses
- Closed shops
- Dart / old Penewit building
- Dart bldg
- dart building
- o DART Building downtown
- Dart building on corner of Franklin and Main St.!
- Dart construction buildings
- o downtown
- o Downtown
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- o Downtown
- Downtown especially the DART building - total eyesore. They make Bellbrook look trashy and terrible
- downtown and unkempt homes and propertys trailers boats junk cars etc.
- Downtown area
- Downtown area broken sidewalks, confusing side streets, rundown commercial buildings, limited seating/benches, isolated housing
- Downtown area and downtown residential streets
- Downtown empty buildings
- Downtown- has so much potential but not much available
- Downtown intersection

- Downtown lacks parking and ambiance
- Downtown needs some
- Downtown residential area
- Downtown shopping plaza
- Downtown signage for retailers. Very difficult to see from the road, some not lighted.
- Downtown signage is old and difficult to see
- Downtown to an extent.
   Some of the buildings are nice and historic, but overall there is just something that has a slight run-down feel to it downtown. It's not lively at all.
- Downtown, especially
   Main & Franklin corners
- empty buildings downtown
- few downtown businesses
- Main intersection downtown
- Most of the buildings which comprise the downtown
- Penewit Hardware site,
   Firehouse (Architecture)
   Business across from City

- Bldg (pizza & salon for hair)
- Plaza of Blueberry Cafe (needs a freshening up)
- Some off the buildings downtown look a bit rundown/poor upkeep
- Streets, curbs, sidewalks, & lighting are deteriorating and unattactive.
- That storage warehouse by the bike shop
- The buildings near dance studio need re painted & cleaned
- The City Building, Dart, the unattractive signage, the corner bar, too many junky signs
- The Dart building; 79
   Franklin St building; the bridge near Dot's (we need a foot bridge away from traffic)
- The downtown area, particularly S. Main St. and W. Franklin are boring, dated, and lifeless.
- The old hardware store on the corner of 725 downtown
- The old Penewit
   Hardware store is an eyesore right on the corner
- The ugly empty building on the corner
- The vacant buildings at the center of town. Also, limited or no public parking. Maintenance of public easement areas and storm water drainage needs to be improved.
- The vacant buildings in the downtown area and the lack of science elements in the area.

- Traffic downtown during certain times
- Unmaintained properties.
   Greg Darts building filled with closed blinds. Very unwelcoming.
- Unused corner bldgs at main downtown intersection
- East side of city
- Areas/homes that are not maintained.
- Certain Run down houses on 725
- o Homes in town
- Residential homes look very ill kept
- o The run down sections
- Upper hillside
- all the new construction going up everywhere
- o All the new housing
- being over built
- o construction areas
- Houses on top of each other
- New apartment development on feedwire
- new construction
- New home construction areas
- New housing across from Little Sugarcreek near Dots Grocery and the old Penewit Hardware bldg.
- new housing and construction sites
- the building developments with cookie cutter houses on small lots that tore down the trees
- The new development across from the school
- o The overgrowth
- Wilmington Pike and the growth and over population
- Old school

- Old school building area by the former Eagleland
- o Loss of green space
- Not enough parks, especially ones kids can walk to
- o sackett wright park
- The driving range area
- Bad parking and bad roads.
- Bike paths...replace with sidewalks. And lack of curbs in residential areas.
- o Clyo Road
- o Crumbling sidewalks
- Little Sugarcreek Rd deteriorating.
- o Lots of trash on roads
- manhole covers in roads, roads torn apart with gravel in them, police love giving tickets
- Now, the entrance into Possum Run with all the newly installed utility poles, tacky!!! should have been underground
- The deteriorated roads in Winterhaven plat.
- Skyline Chili and Plaza
   Shopping center nearby
- wilmington pike
- o ???
- beer stands at the maple syrup festival definitely not for my family
- o Centerville
- Doesn't seem very diverse
- o n/a
- o No leaf pick up
- o **None**
- o none
- NoneNone
- o None
- o none
- Nothing
- $\circ \quad \hbox{ Zoning restrictions }$
- Zoning rules

# Residential properties are well maintained in Bellbrook.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Agree (88 responses, 57.5%)
- Strongly Agree (34 responses, 22.2%)
- Neutral (19 responses, 12.4%)
- Disagree (9 responses, 5.9%)
- Strongly Disagree (3 responses, 2.0%)
- No Opinion (0 responses, 0.0%)

#### Public and institutional properties are well maintained in Bellbrook.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Agree (97 responses, 63.4%)
- Strongly Agree (38 responses, 24.8%)
- Neutral (11 responses, 7.2%)
- Disagree (7 responses, 4.6%)
- No Opinion (0 responses, 0.0%)
- Strongly Disagree (0 responses, 0.0%)

# What kinds of improvements could be made to make Bellbrook a more desirable place to live?

124 of 153 Answered (81.0%)



- bring back the 5 acre minimum
- Stop all the congested, small lots building of homes.
- Sidewalks to connect the town. We live off N.
   Belleview which has no walks since the houses were built in the 50/60's
- when this was farm country. New developments have walks but the city needs to add more for safety and future growth.
- none, just don't allow additional housing
- Wider roads such as E.
   Franklin St. (main road),

- Lower property taxes
- Keep it small town friendly! Stop building on every piece of open area. Enforce zoning codes fairly and across the board.
- More events to draw people downtown
- Spruce up downtown

- Stop adding crowded housing plats.
   Wilmington Pike traffic is already a nightmare at rush hour.
- larger library or community room added to library
- Affordable housing options
- create a pedestrianised
   zone at the center of the
   city
- better connectivity
   between parts of town by
   foot or bike should be
   bike path/sidewalks to
   connect every part of
   town
- Improve roads
- o Bike path
- Sidewalks/street lights in more neighborhoods
- Lower property tax
- More destination type places
- Make penewit hardware a more vibrant store front
- turn the old sugarcreek elementary into a real community center i.e. gym, rec facilities and class offerings
- o Larger library or addition
- Lower property taxes!!
- smoother roads and sidewalks along S Linda
- bigger library
- Adding those types of businesses
- Little Sugar Creek Bike
   Path and Path to Sugar
   Creek Metropark
- The downtown needs
  vast improvements for
  pedestrians. The buildings
  need a facelift, and would
  benefit from zoning that
  included mixed-used
  properties. Integrate
  housing and commercial
  spaces, and offer housing
  units in/around
  downtown for all incomes
- More cycling markings on streets
- Pedestrian Friendly

- Bike path connection, playground south of 725, West of downtown
- Would like to see development/housing that makes use of new energy efficient technology like solar panels etc. Would like to make sure green spaces are preserved and Bellbrook considers becoming a Tree City.
- Antique lamps in the downtown area, maybe some pavers--anything to give it a more Historic feel
- More community activities
- o STOP letting people burn stuff on their properties!!!!! I am very allergic to smoke and cannot ever open my windows because someone is always burning something. It is ridiculous that we cannot enjoy our yards without having to smell smoke.
- Downtown updates
- Some portion of the realestate taxes should be used to improve city services and expand the downtown retail area.
- o sidewalks, bike friendly
- Get some architectural help and look at charming cities outside of the whole area for ideas. I feel that the architecture committee needs to broaden its horizons.
- YMCA or recreational space with a gym, pool, basketball court, etc.
- sidewalks on little sugar creek and feedwire rd
- Less smaller lots for housing
- Limit new housing
- Renovate the older buildings in particular the DART building. Add decorative street lamps, revitalize the residences

- on Franklin as you drive east from downtown.
- Better parking/driving lanes near Blueberry Cafe
- o More small businesses
- More ways around downtown
- more sidewalks/bike trails to the parks (especially to Magee park). KidsCommons, More ADA compliant eateries, a splash pad
- park upkeep for parks as tennis courts are run down -courts for the high school
- More parks, bike paths
- stop selling land to developers that shave off trees and have small lots
- Neighborhood parks/ playgrounds
- Nothing!
- o We love it
- Better care of roads. We live on Glenberry Circle and our roads only get the slurry coating. The road is breaking up and looks unsightly.
- More night life activities, expand city to possibly lower taxes
- Repave some residential streets!
- Make the bike path/streets/roads safer to navigate. Bring trendy shops to the area.
- Added walkability
- Annexation of parts of Sugarcreek
- Dairy shed is a big attraction but you are in a parking lot. Kids/cars don't mix
- Get people to do more business in Bellbrook.
- Expand library
- Allow some new construction that would liven up the downtown area. A lot of people here have dogs, so a dog park out by Sackett-Wright would be nice.

- better control of rainwater run off
- More walkable. Bike paths on both sides of 725 and Main St. Especially up to the schools.
- Stop knocking destroying land and stop building houses
- More businesses
- Stop building on every section of land. leave the wide open spaces and beautiful farm land alone!
- Sidewalk on little sugarcreek and parking downtown
- More sidewalks, business corridor on 725
- A better path to walk to town from surrounding neighborhoods; more shopping; a reasonably priced restaurant
- sidewalks / curbs in Belleview Estates
- Publicized requirements for lawn maintenance
- More parking, ability to walk to there from our neighborhood, the highest income neighborhoods have no walking access
- o lower property taxes
- o Curbs, more sidewalks.
- lower the property taxes
- Lower taxes
- clean up the old Penewit Bldg (Darts) make more parking
- More Green Space
- Larger lots
- o Less rules
- Redoing the roads
- Some sort of shift from mere bedroom community to that of a HOMEtown with civic pride.

- Sidewalks. More regulations on upkeep of yards (remove junky cars, etc.)
- o none it is OK
- Controlled grown and fight off annexation by Centerville and Kettering
- Downtown parking to attract business.
- safer walking
- bigger library
- o More live music
- Lower school taxes
- condominiums or pation homes in a 55+ community (NOT apartments)
- N/A
- No more apartments
- Bike/walking paths downtown. More attractive Main Street
- Truly....just a friendlier, more vibrant downtown.
   People sitting at outside cafes, shopping, strolling
- tough with the buildings so close to street
- Curbs, brick sidewalks, gas lights, pedestrian crossing, walkways and bikeways, PARKING, signage.
- Encourage more small businesses.
- o Add a leaf service
- First off I would get decent flags and Christmas ones that are better than what we have to date. I like the current logo and think that should be on flags so you don't have to stand on head to read "Bellbrook"
- o You do a great job
- Keep a restaurant open across from Dots
- enforce home owner and street codes motor

- homes trailers junk cars trash on land
- More parking and things to do downtown
- Avoid overbuilding, especially the way sugarcreek is going
- Playgrounds in residential areas
- We need to quit have so many open field parks.
   Turn one into a splash park for families. These are a huge hit!
- More support for our growing schools
- lower property taxes
- Street Lighting, and remodeling of aging downtown buildings.
- Improve downtown or improve some of the curb appeal of houses on Franklin Street leading into town. Add better biking ability to downtown.
- Open space
- Updates to City owned properties downtown, provide more public parking downtown for businesses
- Darts building needs to be renovated.
- Keep the green rural look to our town.
- sidewalks
- We need sidewalks throughout Bellbrook
- Some business to be upkept
- Clean up south side and the section 8
- stop building more houses
- condos for seniors

#### What do you consider Bellbrook's most valuable asset?

134 of 153 Answered (87.6%)



- Being a hidden gem in the area. It's remote but very close to everything we need.
- it's location, Sugarcreek Reserve, the fact that not every piece of land is built on
- o location
- o Location
- Location is not far from larger cities but feels rural
- Location! Travel a few minutes east to go to the country and a few minutes north or west to go to malls and entertainment
- Not too far from Dayton or Cincinnati
- City Services
- Public Safety Services and Road Department Snow removal
- Public services
- o The water system
- Close community
- o Sense of community
- Strong community attitude
- The Dairy Shed. It probably brings more people to the downtown area than all other Bellbrook businesses combined.
- Dots market

- Quaint downtown and city parks
- A wide variety of housing types. There are low cost options all the way up to over millions.
- Affordable housing and great schools.
- library
- Library
- Library, parks
- o Winters Library
- neighborhoods
- Neighbors that know one another
- o no income tax
- No income tax and no inner city feeling, we remain separate from Dayton in that sense
- Green Space
- o It's space and rural feel
- o nature reserve
- Open space
- o Open spaces
- Open spaces and large lots - without this, we are just another city
- Parks
- o Parks
- Parks
- o Parks
- Parks
- o Parks and schools
- Sugarcreek Reserve
- o Sugarcreek Reserve

- The country feel it had but that is quickly disappearing.
- The land and open space
- The rural, green appearance.
- children, seniors, police and fire department
- o Higher income population
- It's people and the beauty around it.
- o It's Children
- Its people
- It's people.
- o People
- o People
- o People
- People and the local traditions.
- o People.
- o Residents
- The old-timers who've been here since the 1960s-- raised families here, maintained their homes, have seen Bellbrook grow (for better or worse).
- The people
- o the people
- The people and the high values
- The people of the community
- The people who live here and love the community
- o The people.

- **Education system**
- Good schools. 0
- it's community and 0 schools
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- Schools although our rating has dropped
- Schools and citizens 0
- schools and land
- Schools, and accessibility to the parks
- Schools. 0
- 0 Small schools
- The schools 0
- 0 The schools
- 0 The schools and park systems
- The schools and the cleanliness/green environment
- A smaller community with good schools.
- country setting (it's diminishing) yet close to everything
- desirable place to live b/c it feels small
- it is quiet 0
- It's small town appeal
- natural beauty/small size/proximity to Dayton metro area
- 0
- Small downtown feel 0
- Small feel within short distance to everything

- small hometown feel
- Small town 0
- Small town 0
- Small town atmosphere 0
- Small town atmosphere 0
- 0 Small town atmosphere and beautiful landscape
- Small town feel 0
- small town feel
- Small town feel 0
- Small town feel 0
- 0 small town feel
- small town feel
- Small town feel 0
- 0 Small town feel
- Small town feeling 0 Small town vibe, open
  - spaces
- Small, but excellent schools
- Smaller
- The historical small town appeal is its untapped potential.
- The small community 0
- n/a 0

# If you could change one thing about Bellbrook today, what would it be? 118 of 153 Answered (77.1%)



- 5 acre minimum lots
- add a pedestrian bridge
- add a sidewalk on Little Sugarcreek
- Add an income tax provided reciprocity so 3 percent of my income doesn't go to moraine.
- However wpafb employees may object. Add connecting sidewalks

to every street

- Add free Electric vehicle plug-ins
- Add sidewalk along little sugarcreek from feedwire to franklin
- Added recreation for kids indoors during the winter
- o All the growth
- another family friendly bar downtown
- Beautify the Downtown more pedestrian friendly, more businesses, more nightlife/events
- Bellbrook is a low crime area see more speed traps set up than police driving around the subdivisions
- Bellbrook needs to support the businesses that are here allowing nice looking signage.
   Brookview Swim Club may not survive because there is no way to easily guide residents to it.
   Most people in Bellbrook don't know that it exists.
- Better bike / walking access to and thru downtown.
- better control of stormwater run off
- Better kept residential areas
- Better lighting along bikepaths
- Better walkway and bikeway connections.
   This would encourage healthy lifestyles.
- o Bike path needed
- o bring back eagle land
- Build a better library, have a better rec center and have bike paths everywhere.
- o Control the growth!
- o Darts and downtown
- Do something for community at old Sugarcreek Elem
- o Downtown
- o Downtown area

- Downtown area upgrade.
   Better quality signage,
   more curb-appeal.
- Downtown, especially sidewalks & signage
- Enforce traffic laws (35 mph speed) on Feedwire near main entrance of Kables Mill.
- Fix up Downtown and add more charm and reason to go Downtown.
- Get rid of the congested, small lot homes but that won't happen.
- Go to Loveland, Ohio (NE Cincy) and see how they turned around that area.
   You need to contact their city manager and get tips on how they transformed their small downtown.
- Going back to the small town feel. Not developing every plot of land
- high cost of real estate taxes
- Https://seniorplanet.org/ the-village-model-aneighborly-way-to-age-inplace/ Create a "village concept" for seniors so aging in place is not so difficult.
- I wish the houses looked nicer
- I would NOT change the small town feel (so hard to find elsewhere)-Anything is change would support that unique town feel (similar to Yellow Springs) that brings visitors to it, but doesn't make it clad with chains and box stores
- I'd make the downtown area more vibrant
- Improve business appeal and expand city to take over all properties tied to water system
- Improvement that attract visitors and businesses to the downtown area.
- Install more sidewalks.
- Internet service options

- Keep the community small.
- Keeping it small town friendly and scenic
- Larger library
- larger library
- Less housing developments
- Less new homes being built
- limit street parking in south western Bellbrook
- Liven up the downtown area - it's quaint and provincial, but it is BORING! It's mostly a pass-through zone.
- lower property taxes
- Lower taxes
- o maintain roads / streets
- Make downtown similar to Waynesville where it is a focal point of the community instead of a drive through area.
- More bike/walking access to downtown
- o More diverse
- More family dining options
- more food options
- MORE GREEN SPACE!!
   Quit building all these houses on little lots!!
   Quit giving our land away!!!!
- o More parks, a splash pad
- More robust downtown, connection to bike trails
- More shopping downtown similar to Yellow Springs
- More sidewalks!
- more sidewalks; more parking downtown
- More tax \$\$ to support the schools
- More walking/bike paths
- Need more sustainable eating places downtown
- no bike trail needed they all ride on the street
- No more house lots smaller than 2 acres, no more apartments at all.
- No opinion
- o None

- Not wanting to annex any land into the city for further development.
- nothing
- Nothing
- Pedestrian Crossings,
   Walkways, PARKING,
   LIGHTING
- Pedestrian friendliness
- o place a splash pad where castle park was and reclaim the old school and convert into a 2-story Kidscommons Center for Science and the Arts with an annual membership fee reduced for Bellbrook residents and a daily fee.
- Preserve the small town feel. That is why we moved here
- Property taxes being too high
- Put less emphasis on new housing complexes and fix/maintain the well established residential areas.
- Remove beer from the Maple Syrup Festival! It's for our kids, not drunks.
- Retirement from the military is in a few years.
   We bought the house with the plans of retiring here. Now, we are considering changing our plans due to all of the construction of homes.
   Too crowded
- Shopping and dining.
   Doesn't have to be
   upscale, just not fast food
   or dollar stores. We have
   plenty
- Sidewalk and/or bike path on little sugarcreek rd
- Sidewalk on little sugarcreek
- Sidewalks

- Slow development
- Slow down building and construction
- Slow down the growth
- Slow down/discontinue all the housing developments. Too many people, no longer a quaint hometown.
- SPEEDERS
- Stop adding housing (esp apartments)
- Stop all the building of homes that seem to be enroaching on the community
- stop apartment building
- Stop being 'backwater stoopid'. We're on the cusp of either being great (again), or becoming another down-in-thedumps community. We've had great fiscal mgt (a blessing), now we need to take stock in our societal future. Wake up Bellbrook!
- Stop building apartments
- STOP BUILDING HOUSES, APTS. CONDOS
- Stop building new stores
- Stop development! It is very depressing to see what was once a quaint, small town turning into housing hell with strip malls and insane traffic. Where we once saw deer and other wild life, we now wait in long lines at traffic lights, hemmed in by dreadf
- Stop new Home construction
- Stop to unchecked growth. Levys that increase taxes should not be allowed in primary elections

- stop worrying about growth. There is nowhere for Bellbrook to grow to.
- storm sewers in downtown
- Taxes
- the constant construction and new empty homes that are being built
- The Dart Building it is an embarrassment to our community.
- the disappearing farm land. the traffic on Wilmington
- The Downtown area just seems depressed. To draw biz and people, we need retail and food along main and Franklin. And let's please fix up the old Penewit building!
- The growth of Bellbrook concerns me. I don't want it to get too large and this hurt the School system or safety of our community.
- o the growth spurt
- The old village appearance - the lack of control of signage
- Tomstop the overgrowth
- o Traffic
- Update Downtown and alleviate traffic congestion in downtown
- Update the downtown area
- Updating downtown
- We just moved here in August & love it!
- o Would love to be a community that stands out for embracing and implementing best practices in caring for the environment throughout all phases of community life.

#### Which part(s) of Bellbrook needs most improvement?

102 of 153 Answered (66.7%)



- All of Bellbrook needs to be connected with walking / bike paths. The highest income neighborhoods, like the one I live in, are not connected to the city.
- Bayberry cove.
- dart building downtown 0
- 0 Downtown
- Downtown 0
- 0 Downtown
- Downtown 0
- 0 Downtown Downtown 0
- Downtown 0
- Downtown 0
- 0 Downtown
- Downtown 0
- 0
- Downtown
- 0 Downtown
- 0 Downtown Downtown 0
- 0 downtown
- 0 Downtown
- 0 Downtown
- 0 Downtown - Also, along Kensington, there are homes that are unsightly with tons of flower pots and dead/nasty looking plants, rentals that are not cared for properly,

- etc. This should not be permitted.
- Downtown and Little Sugarcreek Rd.
- 0 Downtown and parks
- Downtown area
- Downtown area and SW 0 corner needs businesses
- Downtown as a whole  $\circ$
- Downtown Bellbrook. Try to increase density with more integrated housing, improve sidewalks (fix broken and increase width), remove side streets and parking lots. Add public square for events like the food truck nights
- Downtown business area, need more parking
- Downtown Franklin St.
- Downtown- I love it, but 0 it's in need of improvement
- Downtown is nice, but could be so much more!
- downtown parking
- Downtown pedestrian friendliness
- 0 Downtown!
- Downtown, Franklin/725, Pedestrian crossing, roadway & parking through The Plaza area.
- Downtown. Roads and sidewalks in need of

- repair. Definitely need parking.
- Downtown 0
- Enforce bikers to obey traffic laws!!
- Enhance ball parks
- Facelift for Blueberry Cafe area, tennis courts for high school (only local school that does not have their own)
- I don't know
- I love Bellbrook and I love that it's a small community.
- I would love to see sidewalks along all roads so that walking and cycling could be a safe alternative to driving.
- Infrastructure improvement to accommodate the expansion of housing and traffic.
- It's wonderful that we have a bike path and frustrating that cyclists choose not to use it.
- Larger library 0
- Less housing developments
- Less street parking 0 residential streets
- 0 Less taxes
- Little Sugarcreek Rd 0
- 0 Little Sugarcreek

- little Sugarcreek
- o Little Sugarcreek
- Little Sugarcreek Road way to narrow/dangerous when the bikers are out
- Little Sugarcreek,
   Feedwire, N. and S.
   Belleview, S. Linda.
   Please Bellbrook, this can
   be easily done by
   connecting the old
   neighborhoods to the
   new ones with easements
   between properties with
   small paths.
- Lower taxes
- Main intersection downtown
- o main street
- Make downtown more attractive and more walkable
- o My Street...Fowler Dr. !
- o n
- o No opinion
- o no opinion
- No safe way to walk to
   Wilmington Pike up 725
- o none
- None
- o Not sure
- o Not sure
- Old Penewit Hardware Bldg (Dart)
- o older housing additions

- Older residential plats need to have accelerated street repaving-- stat!
- Pedestrian/BikeConnections
- police service
- Roads and outer downtown
- o Roads and parking lots.
- roads that need to be repaved
- sidewalk on Little Sugar
   Creek
- Sidewalks
- Sidewalks along Main Street
- o sidewalks, bike paths,
- Soccer fields and update buildings near Dots
- Some of the downtown buildings are extremely old and need improvements
- South and East.
- streets (Belleview estates)
- the areas that flood and have high water
- the areas what always have high water
- o The downtown
  appearance. Get control
  of signage and have
  courage in telling
  business what's expected.

- The older houses that are not being maintained and people parking in yards etc.
- o The older parts
- the roads need to be repaved
- There needs to be a connect bike path to keep cyclists off of little Sugarcreek. It is not safe to pass and drivers should be expected to travel 10 miles per hour behind cyclists when no reasonable alternative routes are available between dtwn /possum run
- Too many dead cell spots and internet/cable options are very limited in some areas
- Traffic
- Trees falling on power lines, library
- Walkability, sidewalks,
   Village District
- o Walking and biking
- Walkways, crossing areas
- Water Supply services to Upper Hillside and surrounding area.

## THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOCUS ON DOWNTOWN:

#### Why do you come to Downtown Bellbrook? - Reason 1

148 of 153 Answered (96.7%)

- Groceries (45 responses, 29.4%)
- Library (45 responses, 29.4%)
- Eating & Dining (24 responses, 15.7%)
- Bellbrock Park (10 responses, 6.5%)
- Gas Station (9 responses, 5.9%)
- Municipal Building (6 responses, 3.9%)
- Pet Services (3 responses, 2.0%)
- Retail Shopping Bike/Toys/Crafts Lawn Equipment (2 responses, 1.3%)
- Banking (1 response, 0.7%)
- Family Resource Center (1 response, 0.7%)
- Hair/Nails & Personal Services (1 response, 0.7%)
- Historical Museum (1 response, 0.7%)
- Law/Insurance & Professional Services (0 responses, 0.0%)

# Why do you come to Downtown Bellbrook? - Reason 2

140 of 153 Answered (91.5%)

- Groceries (40 responses, 26.1%)
- Eating & Dining (28 responses, 18.3%)
- Library (18 responses, 11.8%)
- Bellbrock Park (11 responses, 7.2%)
- Gas Station (21 responses, 13.7%)
- Pet Services (6 responses, 3.9%)
- Municipal Building (5 responses, 3.3%)
- Banking (3 responses, 2.0%)
- Retail Shopping Bike/Toys/Crafts Lawn Equipment (3 responses, 2.0%)
- Historical Museum (2 responses, 1.3%)
- Hair/Nails & Personal Services (2 responses, 1.3%)
- Law/Insurance & Professional Services (1 response, 0.7%)
- Family Resource Center (0 responses, 0.0%)

#### Why do you come to Downtown Bellbrook? - Reason 3

127 of 153 Answered (83.0%)

- Bellbrock Park (23 responses, 15.0%)
- Eating & Dining (20 responses, 13.1%)
- Gas Station (24 responses, 15.7%)
- Library (18 responses, 11.8%)
- Groceries (17 responses, 11.1%)

- Municipal Building (8 responses, 5.2%)
- Pet Services (6 responses, 3.9%)
- Hair/Nails & Personal Services (5 responses, 3.3%)
- Banking (3 responses, 2.0%)
- Retail Shopping Bike/Toys/Crafts Lawn Equipment (2 responses, 1.3%)
- Law/Insurance & Professional Services (1 response, 0.7%)
- Historical Museum (0 responses, 0.0%)
- Family Resource Center (0 responses, 0.0%)

# List a major reason you come to downtown Bellbrook? Other than listed above.

116 of 153 Answered (75.8%)



- 2a. Post office 2b. pass through on my way to child's soccer practice at Wright-Sackett. During those trips I might stop at Dot's or the gas station.
   We go to Blueberry Cafe about 4x/year
- A coffee shop or fine dining restaurant
- Athletics and canoeing
- Banking
- BellHOP Cafe events,
   Community Foodtruck
   events during the
   summer
- Best route to safe biking area.
- o bike riding
- o Brookside garage
- o Brookside garage
- o Church
- Church / preschool/ post office

- church and post officeChurch, festivals
- Dairy shed
- Dairy shed
- o Dairy Shed
- Dairy shed
- Dairy Shed
- Dairy Shed
- o Dairy shed
- Dairy shed
- Dairy Shed
- Dairy shed
- Dairy Shed & Sports at Sackett Wright
- Dairy Shed!
- Dairy Shed!
- Dairy Shed
- o Dance
- o Dance
- o Don't
- o Dots
- o Driving through
- driving through to get to other parts of bellbrook

- Easy to shop
- o eating
- Employment
- Festival
- Festivals
- Festivals
- Festivals
- Festivals
- Festivals!
- Festivals, kids events
- o Fire Department
- o friends
- Great post office
- Grew up in Bellbrook, have great memories.
   Sugar Maple Festival and Lyons Club Festival
- groceries
- I don't really.
- I don't shop Downtown Bellbrook, not a huge selection or choice where to shop.

- I have family that lives near the main corner, and we eat/drink at McIntosh's a lot,
- I live nearby
- I would come into town more if the vacant and empty buildings were converted into retail or businesses.
- o Job
- Just to walk around and enjoy the scenery
- kids event girl scouts, soccer
- o kids sports at the park
- Mail postageMcIntosh'sMeetings Church

activities

- My daughter dances at Bellbrook Dance Academy
- o My workplace
- n/aNoneNone
- o none, there's little in downtown.
- Our business and ministry at BellHOP Cafe, Bellbrook House of Prayer, & WINGS Christian Fellowship
- Parades

- passing through
- o Post Office
- o Post Office
- post office
- o Post Office
- O FOST OTTICE
- post office
- Post office
- Post office
- Post office
- Post office, Boy Scout meetings
  - Preschool
- Sackett Wright park
- Schools
- Soccer
- Special events, festivals, parades, etc
- Sports
- Sports (parks)
- Sugar maple festival
- o sugar maple festival
- Sugar maple festival
- Sugar Maple Festival

- Sugar Maple Festival/ Lions Club Festival
- o Sugarcreek Bird Farm
- the post office
- the Post Office
- To walk the city and enjoy the scenery.
- Usually just traveling through unless I am going to Dot's, bank, or for gas
- Visiting friends and family
- Walking
- We live down town and love it!
- We walk down to the ice cream store, and McIntosh, wish there was a splash pad or kidscommons area...the closest splash pad is in Kettering and the closest kids science museum is Boonshoft. Would love with the growth of kids to have a Bellbrook splash
  - pad Work
- Work Work
- o work
- o Work
- o Work
- Work at the Fire Department

# How many times a week do you come to downtown Bellbrook?

150 of 153 Answered (98.0%)

- 1 (49 responses, 32.0%)
- 3 (26 responses, 17.0%)
- 2 (24 responses, 15.7%)
- 4 (18 responses, 11.8%)
- 5 (17 responses, 11.1%)
- 7 (13 responses, 8.5%)
- 6 (3 responses, 2.0%)

# Bellbrook has a good downtown business network.

151 of 153 Answered (98.7%)

- Neutral (53 responses, 34.6%)
- No Opinion (32 responses, 20.9%)
- Disagree (31 responses, 20.3%)
- Agree (24 responses, 15.7%)
- Strongly Disagree (7 responses, 4.6%)
- Strongly Agree (4 responses, 2.6%)

# What types of facilities or businesses would you like to see in Downtown Bellbrook that are not currently here?

123 of 153 Answered (80.4%)



- Downtown Bellbrook doesn't advertise itself, not even with the Cornerstone so close that people might want to com visit a Historic downtown while in the area -- if Bellbrook doesn't advertise itself, new businesses will fail
- antiques, small coffee or soup shops
- Antique shoppes, restaurants
- Antique shops/Fine dining
- antiques, small coffee or soup shops
- Antique shoppes, restaurants
- o Antique shops/Fine dining
- Specialty shops/retail; art center for various classes
- A rec center like Kettering rec center and art center

- like Rosewood Art center where both children and adults can take lessons at a reasonable cost.
- Artisan shops, more family restaurants
- Artisan shops, more family restaurants
- Bakery, gift store, coffee shop with internet, more restaurants,
- Local farm to table restaurants, a donut place, small businesses, etc
- Local organic restaurants, coffee shops, bars
- o Bike lane thru town
- Bike path
- Cycling rest station
- brewpub, cafe, record store,
- brewpub, cafe, record store,

- brewpub, cafe, record store,
- Local organic restaurants, coffee shops, bars
- A craft or fabric shop would be nice; and a consignment store.
- A craft or fabric shop would be nice; and a consignment store.
- A craft or fabric shop would be nice; and a consignment store.
- don't really know
- Entertainment for kids / theater
- A craft or fabric shop would be nice; and a consignment store.
- A craft or fabric shop would be nice; and a consignment store.
- family oriented like The Lions Festival,

- local farmer's market that provides organic produce, pastured meats and raw milk products
- antiques, small coffee or soup shops
- Antique shoppes, restaurants
- o Antique shops/Fine dining
- Artisan shops, more family restaurants
- Bakery, gift store, coffee shop with internet, more restaurants,
- Local farm to table restaurants, a donut place, small businesses, etc.
- Local organic restaurants, coffee shops, bars
- Better quality shopping and dining
- Bakery of breads or Donut shop
- Cafe or bakery
- o quality cafe/bakery
- Coffee or sandwich shop
- o coffee shop
- o a fine dining restaurant
- o A quality restaurant
- Another non chain restaurant that has healthy and gluten free options
- better restaurants (NOT chains)
- Boutique type shops, another bank, fine dining restaurant
- Coffee shop, a better pizza place, boutiques, family restaurants
- Coffee shop, restaurants
- Coffee shops or dinner restaurants
- Craft shops, art gallery/shops, local restaurants open after lunch, family-friendly sit down restaurant, healthfood dining, public square/gathering area
- o Dining, coffee shop
- Dining, shopping
- Dinner dining
- Expanded dining options

- good family restaurant, retail shops,
- Healthy and reasonably priced restaurant
- healthy restaurants
- Hot head
- Hot wings
- Local eateries (not more chains) that make
   Bellbrook unique, similar to Yellow Springs
- Local restaurants
- Look @ Lebanon OH for ideas - restaurant, quaint stores,
- Microbreweries, restaurants, more parking, more night life
- More dining, see Tipp City
- o more eating, shopping
- o More food options
- More food options and better parking lots
- More independent restaurants
- More locally owned restaurants and bars.
- more non-fast food choices
- More restaurants
- More restaurants
- More restaurants and entertainment
- More restaurants and fun/unique small shops
- More retail and restaurants with parking
- More retail shopping & restaurants
- More retail shopping, restaurants,
- more shopping / restaurants / bars
- New restaurant with bar and grill
- nice restaurant
- One or Two family type restaurants
- Restaurant
- Restaurant (for dinner)
- Restaurant/brew pub ( where they make craft beer), a nice gift shop,
- Restaurants
- Restaurants with actual food

- Restaurants with outdoor seating, A large playground downtown or at Sackett Wright
- Restaurants, retail shops, and more parking
- o restaurants
- o Small home cooking diner
- Small shops, good restaurants
- Smoothie Shop
- The more restaurants the merrier
- More attractions for teenagers, Lofts for young singles/families, a Cat Cafe, Arts & Craft/Gift shops
- A place for gathering and hanging out
- Bakery, gift store, coffee shop with internet, more restaurants,
- Retail shops will come if the city upgrades the infrastructure and improves parking. City needs to promote the city core and be more business friendly.
- More attractions for teenagers, Lofts for young singles/families, a Cat Cafe, Arts & Craft/Gift shops
- none
- None
- o none
- o none
- o None
- o None
- NoneNone
- o nothing what is there is
- Not certain at this time.
- Not sure
- Unsure
- I'd like to see downtown
   Bellbrook look more like a downtown Germanton,
   Waynesville, Eaton
- Expansion of parking and retail business areas that can attract more people to visit.
- o Parking.

- Retail shops will come if the city upgrades the infrastructure and improves parking. City needs to promote the city core and be more business friendly.
- pedestrian bridge
- walking access to magee park from downtown
- A rec center like Kettering rec center and art center like Rosewood Art center where both children and adults can take lessons at a reasonable cost.
- Billiards/arcade room something for teens
- Exercise facility with indoor swimming pool
- Indoor type, Family friendly local hangout.
   We have a lot of outdoor options and great parks!
- Kids play ground
- KidsCommons, like: http://www.kidscommon s.org. Would also love to

- see a splash pad being installed
- Playground equipment replacement of old wooden playground
- Recreational center
- Specialty shops/retail; art center for various classes
- Candy shop, used book store
- Book store
- Boutiques
- o clothing boutiques
- Craft store
- o crafts or hobbies
- Jeweler
- Niche businesses
- Retail shops
- specialty shops
- Local small businesses
- Mom and Pop stores, i miss Penewitt Hardware.
- Small boutiques
- Small shops which sell clothing, antiques etc
- Unique shops
- brewpub, cafe, record store,

- Candy shop, used book store
- Better quality shopping and dining
- Local farm to table restaurants, a donut place, small businesses,
- brewpub, cafe, record store,
- More attractions for teenagers, Lofts for young singles/families, a Cat Cafe, Arts & Craft/Gift shops
- Entertainment for kids / theater
- More attractions for teenagers, Lofts for young singles/families, a Cat Cafe, Arts & Craft/Gift shops
- More for youth. Family Resource Center would do with funding.
- Things for young children
- o ??
- N/A

# Downtown Bellbrook should have safe pedestrian/bike connections with Sugarcreek Reserve, Spring Lakes Park, Sackett-Wright Park and the Little Miami River.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Strongly Agree (86 responses, 56.2%)
- Agree (50 responses, 32.7%)
- Neutral (7 responses, 4.6%)
- Strongly Disagree (4 responses, 2.6%)
- Disagree (3 responses, 2.0%)
- No Opinion (3 responses, 2.0%)

### Downtown Bellbrook is considered business friendly.

151 of 153 Answered (98.7%)

- Neutral (50 responses, 32.7%)
- Agree (39 responses, 25.5%)
- No Opinion (32 responses, 20.9%)
- Disagree (18 responses, 11.8%)
- Strongly Agree (9 responses, 5.9%)
- Strongly Disagree (3 responses, 2.0%)

# Downtown Bellbrook needs more evening dining and recreation opportunities.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Strongly Agree (79 responses, 51.6%)
- Agree (40 responses, 26.1%)
- Neutral (21 responses, 13.7%)
- Disagree (9 responses, 5.9%)
- No Opinion (3 responses, 2.0%)
- Strongly Disagree (1 response, 0.7%)

# THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOCUS ON SENIORS:

#### Bellbrook has adequate services for seniors.

151 of 153 Answered (98.7%)

- No Opinion (67 responses, 43.8%)
- Neutral (37 responses, 24.2%)
- Agree (21 responses, 13.7%)
- Disagree (17 responses, 11.1%)
- Strongly Agree (6 responses, 3.9%)
- Strongly Disagree (3 responses, 2.0%)

#### Bellbrook has adequate housing for seniors.

152 of 153 Answered (99.3%)

- No Opinion (64 responses, 41.8%)
- Neutral (35 responses, 22.9%)
- Disagree (24 responses, 15.7%)
- Agree (15 responses, 9.8%)
- Strongly Disagree (9 responses, 5.9%)
- Strongly Agree (5 responses, 3.3%)

#### THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOCUS ON COMMUNICATION:

# What method of communication do you use to find out what is happening in Bellbrook? (May choose more than one)

150 of 153 Answered (98.0%)

- Newsletter (86 responses, 56.2%)
- Social Media (75 responses, 49.0%)
- Bellbrook Web Site (51 responses, 33.3%)
- E-Mail (12 responses, 7.8%)
- Bellbrook TV Channel (6 responses, 3.9%)
- Phone (1 response, 0.7%)

## THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOCUS ON SERVICES:

#### Rate fire protection services in Bellbrook.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Excellent (99 responses, 64.7%)
- Good (30 responses, 19.6%)
- No Opinion (15 responses, 9.8%)
- Adequate (9 responses, 5.9%)
- Poor (0 responses, 0.0%)
- Needs Improved (0 responses, 0.0%)

#### Rate police protection services in Bellbrook.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Excellent (91 responses, 59.5%)
- Good (43 responses, 28.1%)
- Adequate (12 responses, 7.8%)
- Needs Improved (3 responses, 2.0%)
- No Opinion (3 responses, 2.0%)
- Poor (1 response, 0.7%)

#### Rate library services in Bellbrook.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Excellent (74 responses, 48.4%)
- Good (37 responses, 24.2%)
- No Opinion (24 responses, 15.7%)
- Adequate (9 responses, 5.9%)
- Needs Improved (9 responses, 5.9%)
- Poor (0 responses, 0.0%)

### Rate telecommunication services in Bellbrook.

152 of 153 Answered (99.3%)

- Good (52 responses, 34.0%)
- No Opinion (33 responses, 21.6%)
- Adequate (30 responses, 19.6%)
- Excellent (20 responses, 13.1%)
- Needs Improved (14 responses, 9.2%)
- Poor (3 responses, 2.0%)

#### Rate water services in Bellbrook.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Good (61 responses, 39.9%)
- Excellent (44 responses, 28.8%)
- Adequate (28 responses, 18.3%)
- No Opinion (9 responses, 5.9%)
- Needs Improved (8 responses, 5.2%)
- Poor (3 responses, 2.0%)

#### Rate sanitary sewer services in Bellbrook.

152 of 153 Answered (99.3%)

- Good (72 responses, 47.1%)
- Excellent (42 responses, 27.5%)
- Adequate (24 responses, 15.7%)
- No Opinion (11 responses, 7.2%)
- Needs Improved (2 responses, 1.3%)
- Poor (1 response, 0.7%)

# Are there any stormwater/drainage problems in Bellbrook? Where?

95 of 153 Answered (62.1%)



- o 725 bear sacked wright
- o 725 floods near park
- o all over
- o Behind Mill Pond
- Behind Mill Pond apartments / Hillrise
- Behind the old
   Sugarcreek Elementary
   Building, by the park.
- Bellbrook Presbyterian Church-the Plaza water runs onto the building deteriorating it

- Bottom of Hillrise near
   Vemco Dr.
- o Do not know.
- Downtown/lowerBellbrook
- East end of 725
- East of downtown
- o east side
- Eckworth Dr stormwater runs off from Beachwood into yards which are eroding
- Every major corner in Kables Mill has properties

- draining sump pumps on sidewalks and making slick hazardous walking
- Flooding downtown area
- > Flooding outside of town
- Homes behind Mill Pond Apartments
- I have not seen any.
- I hear Sable Ridge has problems
- I know of none
- I live 'uphill' so am not aware of any......

- If you don't this you shouldn't be in charge of this survey
- Inverness subdivision is causing water flooding in high view terrace subdivision
- Little Sugar Creek Dr and
   725 & Lower Bellbrook
- Little Sugarcreek road and the road near Magee Park
- Lower Bellbrook Rd. area, including golf course,
   Sackett-Wright park (hoping new ditches help).
- Maple,Brookwood
- most have been addressed
- My back yard, haha
- My side yard on Cabernet
- Neighborhood behind Mill pond
- not on my street but I know there are elsewhere in the city
- Probably
- sackett wright park

- Sackett-wright
- Sackett-Wright & Golf facility. My backyard......
- sackett-wright area
- Sackett-Wright Park
- Sackett-wright Park.
- soccer field and practice fields
- Soccer fields
- The dip in Wilmington Pike just past Mill Pond Apartments, over the creek.
- the entire east side where it floods all the time
- o Vemco
- Washington Mill Park
- Yes by the river, in the flood zones
- Yes downtown and in theS. Linda plat
- yes everywhere in Bellbrook
- Yes Our back yard gets flooded due to the new inverness subdivision

- Yes, at the bottom of our road on Hillrise Circle
- Yes, behind Bellbrook
   Village Plaza between
   BellHOP Cafe and the
   Plaza shops. Sackett
   Right Park.
- Yes, ditches in neighborhood
- Yes, east of downtown.
- yes, off Nedra drive in peoples yards is one place.
- Yes, on Little Sugarcreek
   Rd.
- o Yes, yards on Hillcrest Dr.
- Yes. Lots of issues with inadequate drainage in residential zones. Areas of standing water, etc.
- o Yes. Portage Path
- Yes. Seems normal compared to other communities
- Yes. Upper Hillside Drive

## THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOCUS ON BUSINESS:

#### Bellbrook offers a good selection of shopping opportunities.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Agree (44 responses, 28.8%)
- Disagree (36 responses, 23.5%)
- Neutral (33 responses, 21.6%)
- Strongly Agree (27 responses, 17.6%)
- Strongly Disagree (12 responses, 7.8%)
- No Opinion (1 response, 0.7%)

# Where would you like to see additional facilities or businesses?

139 of 153 Answered (90.8%)

- Downtown (79 responses, 56.8%)
  - West End Near Wilmington (22 responses, 15.8%)
  - SR 725 Between Downtown & West End (17 responses, 12.2%)
  - Downtown & SR 725 Between Downtown & West End (11 responses, 7.9%)
  - Downtown, SR 725 Between Downtown & West End & West End (6 responses, 4.3%)
  - Downtown & West End (4 responses, 2.9%)

# What types of facilities or businesses would you like to see along the SR 725 Corridor that are not currently here?

88 of 153 Answered (57.5%)



- o ?
- 0
- A brewery? Bikers like breweries. Think Yellow Springs Brewery along a popular bike path.
- o a goodwill/ thrift store

- A new station for the fire department
- A quality restaurant
- A rec center
- Another bank,
- anything unique and funky that would attract visitors to downtown area
- Anything!! No more auto/tire shops, banks or mattress shops
- Bar and restaurant
- better dining options
- Better infrastructure to support more parking and business expansion.

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- Bike racks/bike parking and improve bike lanes/access in the downtown area extending through SR725.
- Bookshop
- Boutiques and restaurants
- Businesses like in Tipp
   City
- Community center
- Craft and Gift shops,
   Better access to exiting shops, better signs to get people to stop and shop.
- o Cycling rest stop
- o Dining
- o Dining
- o Dining and night life
- Dining, shopping
- Driving west to east on Franklin, Wilmington to Downtown is fine, it's the downtown and and east of downtown on Franklin that need to be
- o Entertainment
- Entertainment/ recreational
- family friendly restaurants
- o Family owned restaurants
- Farm to table restaurant, coffee shop, bar with outdoor seating
- Farm to table restaurants, local restaurants, breakfast, coffee shops
- farmer's market mentioned above
- Fast food
- Fitness facility
- Focus on the area between Little Sugarcreek and the east end of the city.
- o Food places not fast food

- healthy food options
- o Indoor sports area, dining
- interesting shops, good restaurants, antique store, book store
- kids commons or a splash pad for the kids.
- Modern, updated bars and restaurants. No dives and no more fast food!
- more dining but not franchise or fast food
- o More food
- o More food choices
- More restaurants, bars/brewery, playground, outdoor music venue
- more restaurants, entertainment,
- o N/A
- o n/a
- Newer restaurants, bar / grill, something that attracts a newer and younger crowd
- o Niche businesses
- o No
- o None
- None
- o none
- o none
- o None
- Nonenone
- o none
- NONE too many, cluttered businesses now. Don't turn 725 into a North Dixie trashy mess.
- none through the residential area
- o none-we have enough
- Not sure
- Not sure
- Not sure this is the location, but a dog park

- with walking trails would be great
- o Not sure where that is
- One or two family owned restaurants
- Playground, restaurants, brewpub
- Please, no more 'crap' facilities along SR 725--we're selling our 'hometown' potential to the devil.
- o Rec center
- o Recreational center
- Restaurant
- Restaurants (downtown)
- Restaurants, candy store, used book store
- o Restaurants, office, retail
- Retail and restaurants that are not chains
- Retail/Specialty (e.g. boutiques), Arts (Classes)
- Same as downtown....restaurants, small retail shops, breweries/bars/etc.
- Senior center
- Shopping & dining
- Small. Family owned, affordable .Mom and Pop places.
- Something for youth.
- o Steak restaurants
- There are so many strip mall now that we do not need any more shopping
- Unique, healthy eating destinations
- Unsure.
- Variety of eateries
- We do not need any more business or shopping or subdivisions. Should be more emphasis on the preservation of the wildlife and the trees

## Bellbrook offers good lunchtime eating opportunities.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Disagree (51 responses, 33.3%)
- Agree (42 responses, 27.5%)
- Neutral (36 responses, 23.5%)
- No Opinion (12 responses, 7.8%)
- Strongly Disagree (9 responses, 5.9%)
- Strongly Agree (3 responses, 2.0%)

# THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOCUS ON HOUSING:

# Bellbrook should have a wider variety of housing types.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Disagree (51 responses, 33.3%)
- Neutral (49 responses, 32.0%)
- Strongly Disagree (25 responses, 16.3%)
- Agree (17 responses, 11.1%)
- Strongly Agree (6 responses, 3.9%)
- No Opinion (5 responses, 3.3%)

#### Residential housing is affordable in Bellbrook.

151 of 153 Answered (98.7%)

- Agree (78 responses, 51.0%)
- Neutral (33 responses, 21.6%)
- Disagree (26 responses, 17.0%)
- Strongly Agree (7 responses, 4.6%)
- No Opinion (4 responses, 2.6%)
- Strongly Disagree (3 responses, 2.0%)

## THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS FOCUS ON MOBILITY:

#### Where do you have the most issues with traffic?

130 of 153 Answered (85.0%)



- 725 0
- 725 0
- 675 off ramp to willmington pk
- 0 725 after sports
- 725 and little sugarcreek 0
- 725 and wilmington pike 0
- 725 at sugar run during school hours and fall sports at sackedt wright
- 725, going towards downtown Bellbrook
- along Wilmington between Lowe's and 675 interchange
- Between middle school and Costco
- By the high school & middle school
- By the high school-- can someone repaint the street lines, please?
- Center of town 0
- Clyo and Possum Run
- Clyo to get into the plaza, they really made a mess of it with that boulevard and no left turn at Frischs.
- Coming out of Bellemeade onto Wilmington. Speeders coming from higher speed limit don't slow

- down after Centerville Station crossing.
- Compared to the mess that is Cornerstone, Bellbrook is a wonderful.
- Cornerstone and by WalMart
- Costco/675 0
- Downtown 0
- 0 Downtown
- Downtown

rush hour

0

- Downtown Downtown 4 way stop at
- downtown and by the schools during drop off and dismissal
- downtown during rush hour
- Downtown during School hours. and during Soccer/football games at Sacket Wright
- Downtown during sports at sacket wright
- Downtown going to Sackett Wright.
- Downtown in front of Dot's Market area.
- Downtown on 725 during rush hours
- Downtown SR725 0
- Downtown, coming and going from schools
- East and Franklin

- Feedwire
- Feedwire
- Feedwire
- 0 Feedwire & Wilmington
- Feedwire and Little Sugarcreek - guess that is really the township
- Feedwire and Waynesville 0
- Feedwire near main entrance to Kables Mill
- Feedwire Rd. 0
- Feedwire Road
- Feedwire Road & Little Sugarcreek.
- Feedwire Road at Little Sugarcreek. Little Sugarcreek needs to be widened with at least left turn lanes.
- Feedwire Road will continue to get worse as the homes and new residential areas are expanded.
- Feedwire/Little Sugarcreek-turn lanes would be nice; Possum Run near L.Sugar and L. Sugarcreek - narrow roads dangerous with the bikers
- Franklin
- Franklin and Main
- getting out of Regent Park

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- Getting out of the library
- Going into downtown at rush hours.
- Going into Sackett
   Wright- needs a back
   entrance!!
- Heading to Sackett
   Wright on a game /
   practice night- all through
   town on 725
- o I don't.
- I don't see a lot of problems with traffic
- I don't think traffic is a problem.
- In the parking lot area around Blueberry Cafe, going to Dots
- o Kroger area.
- Little Sugarcreek Road, due to the road washout
- o main intersection
- o Main St. & Franklin
- Main street and 725 during school dropoff/pickoff
- Middle school entrance and feedwire needs a light! Turning left out of middle school to feedwire is a nightmare with traffic.
- N. Belleview & West
  Franklin in the afternoon;
  South Main turning onto
  West Franklin in the
  afternoon.
- N/A
- o near I 675 ramps
- Near Wilmington Pike
- no traffic enforcement in neighborhoods
- No traffic issues
- o No where
- o no where
- no where traffic is not a huge problem
- None
- o None
- o none
- o None
- o None
- Now with turn signal in center of town but light

- maybe better monotored at high peak times
- o nowhere
- o on Wilmington Pike
- On Wilmington Pike to
   675 exit
- On Wilmington Pike, not in Bellbrook proper.
- On Wilmington right after the reserve
- Only during school drop off hours
- People fly down Linda & S Lakeman
- Possum RunRd.....SPEEDERS
- sackett right park, a second exit on main st/waynesville rd would be nice
- Schools
- Soccer fields. Need access road off main St
- Speeding on any street.
- Stop light at Franklin and Little Sugarcreek
- The Alpha
   Bellbrook/Upper
   Bellbrook rd intersection.
   Trying to turn left during the school rush can take some time. Overall minimal traffic
- The narrow road in downtown (E. Franklin St)
- the new apartment complex on feedwire (and it isn't even open for business yet)
- The only light in downtown Bellbrook
- Traffic light at Franklin and Main. The left arrow was a nice addition.
- Traffic off of feedwire near the new Kroger
- Turning left onto feed wire from little sugar creek and turning left out of the middle school
- Turning left onto feedwire off of little sugar creek

- Turning left out of BMS onto Feedwire
- Turning onto smaller streets downtown
- Unavoidable with our progress
- o up at the schools
- Upper bellbrook
- West St to Franklin
- Wilm pike
- Wilmington pike!!!!
   Wilmington dayton road.
   Downtown at the corner of 725 and waynesville rd on school mornings.
   Anywhere there are cyclists in the road.
- Wilmington and 725
- Wilmington and also 725
- Wilmington Dayton and Centerville road intersection 4 way stop
- Wilmington Pike
- Wilmington Pike
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- o Wilmington Pike
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- Wilmington pike and 725
- Wilmington pike and feedwire
- Wilmington pike and SR
   725
- Wilmington Pike bear
   Home Depot and Costco
- Wilmington Pike from St Rt 725 to the highway and the Middle School drop off in the mornings.
- Wilmington Pike turning left onto 725
- Wilmington Pike, especially at Centerville station road
- O Wilmington Pike.
- Wilmington
   Pike/Feedwire corner
- Wilmington Pk and St Rt 725; Downtown (much better with addition of turn signal)

# It is easy to get around Bellbrook without a car.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Agree (49 responses, 32.0%)
- Disagree (44 responses, 28.8%)
- Neutral (33 responses, 21.6%)
- Strongly Disagree (16 responses, 10.5%)
- Strongly Agree (7 responses, 4.6%)
- No Opinion (4 responses, 2.6%)

# A bike connection to Spring Valley and the Little Miami Trail via SR 725 and/or the Little Miami River should be made.

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Strongly Agree (63 responses, 41.2%)
- Agree (48 responses, 31.4%)
- Neutral (22 responses, 14.4%)
- Disagree (7 responses, 4.6%)
- Strongly Disagree (7 responses, 4.6%)
- No Opinion (6 responses, 3.9%)

Are there any key obstacles from your home to downtown along this route that discourage you from walking or biking as an alternative to driving? Please explain below.

141 of 153 Answered (92.2%)

- No (73 responses, 47.7%)
- Yes (68 responses, 44.4%)

#### Explain the key obstacles from your home to downtown.

85 of 153 Answered (55.6%)



- places to lock a bike downtown
- Although some of the route is through a neighborhood, the road is narrow and curvy. Would like to see a bike lane.
- Woukd love a bike or walking path along little sugarcreek
- Bridge over little
   Sugarcreek for bike path.
- Crossing Little Sugar
   Creek on the side of 725
   is dangerous, particularly
   for kids. A separate
   pedestrian bridge is
   needed.
- o no pedestrian bridge
- Road and bike path conditions need improvement & there is a gap (no designated area for pedestrians/bikes) between the bike path and the sidewalk downtown.
- The bridge is too close to traffic.
- The bridge when my kids were little
- I live outside city limits so
   I can never truely walk
   from my home to
   downtown
- o Live too far out
- Big hill

- o big hill covered in gravel
- o steep incline of 725
- The large hill coming from Feedwire! No/limited bike racks, bike parking in downtown.
- The walking path is rather steep and not constructed effectively for walking and biking.
   Also the path is not illuminated. The portion of asphalt walking and biking path between
   Vemco and downtown is falling apart and not stable.
- Crossing 725 several times to stay on bike path
- o crossovers,
- Path is on wrong side of725
- You have to cross 725
   twice to get to downtown
   from west end
- Crossing bridge on 725 at Little Sugarcreek, no bike lanes, rough unlevel walkways.
- From the Vineyards we could use a Sidewalk on little sugarcreek rd to downtown, maybe on the newly donated land from highview?
- Little Sugarcreek is dangerous to walk/bike

- on too narrow, no bike lanes/sidewalks
- be nice to have a walkway from the Possum Run area down to Dot's
- More bike paths needed
- Need bike path
- Lack of connecting sidewalks
- o lack of sidewalks
- o lack of sidewalks
- Little Sugarcreek,
   Belleview, and Feedwire
   have no walking paths or
   sidewalks and are scary to
   walk on
- Much of the area in residential does not have sidewalks and it makes it dangerous to walk downtown with young children
- No cross walks or sidewalks
- No sidewalk on little sugar creek
- no sidewalk on Little
   Sugar Creek
- No sidewalk on little sugarcreek and lack of police enforcement of speed limit on rd make it dangerous
- No sidewalk or bike path
- No sidewalks
- No sidewalks

- No sidewalks
- no sidewalks in older additions
- No sidewalks/bike path continuous to downtown
- no walking path alongside
   Little Sugarcreek
- No walking paths through the Sugar Leaf suburb to downtown (i.e., lower portion of Possum Run down Little Sugarcreek), or cutting through to 725
- Not enough sidewalks.
- o Sidewalks
- to walk along; the neighborhood streets are dangerous to bike on and so it is too dangerous to try to bike from my house to the bike path
- The highest income neighborhoods, like the one I live in, are not connected to the city. You are consistently turning away money. The former city manager, Mark Schlagheck said he had no interest in connecting our neighborhood.
- There are sections without a sidewalk which makes walking or cycling dangerous
- There isn't a sidewalk once you hit the intersection of 725 and Little Sugarcreek - not safe for kids
- Too far and no sidewalk access.

- unable to walk to Magee
   Park with our kids
   because there is no
   sidewalk/bike trail
- Bike trail down the hill into town is narrow and surface very uneven.
- Bike path goes north to siuth
- o 3 small children;)
- Blind corners on side streets, once downtown you are dumped into traffic without proper safety and signs then no where to park your bik
- Country roads but i like the country roads
- It is not safe to walk or bike from my home to downtown. The traffic is way too heavy and drivers are not courteous.
- It is not safe with a child to walk or bike from our house on Tareyton Dr. down N. Belleview and Kensington Dr.. From our cul-du-sac, we could have been connected to Fowler Dr. which has sidewalks but the walk was never built.
- little sugarcreek rd
- No bike path and I do not like to bike on street. The cars go pretty fast and it scares me.
- Not safe to walk or bike on Little Sugar Creek Road
- Speed of cars
- Speed traps

- Speeding cars
- Too much traffic on Franklin; don't feel comfortable driving beside cars
- Traffic....SPEEDERS
- Busy country roads
- Lower Bellbrook Rd. not safe for pedestrians or biking
- No safe path along Little
   Sugar Creek
- No safe place to walk along little sugarcreek
- o distance, large uphill
- o Bellbrook
- o Bellbrook
- o I don't like to ride
- o N/a
- o NA
- o None
- o None
- NoneNone
- o None
- o none
- None
- none at all
- Why all of the questions about "downtown".
   Please look at the value (real and 'priceless') of our OLDER
   NEIGHBORHOODS. Do not write us off-- we are comprised of: the retired; single career people; young families; white collar; blue collar.

#### **SURVEY METRICS:**

#### Age

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- 41 64 (75 responses, 49.0%)
- 21 40 (60 responses, 39.2%)
- 65+ (15 responses, 9.8%)
- Under 21 (3 responses, 2.0%)

#### Gender

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- Female (76 responses, 49.7%)
- Male (77 responses, 50.3%)

# Years in the Bellbrook community?

153 of 153 Answered (100.0%)

- 1- 5 (49 responses, 32.0%)
- 11-20 (37 responses, 24.2%)
- 6-10 (26responses, 17.0%)
- 21-40 (25 responses, 16.3%)
- Over 40 (16 responses, 10.5%)

#### Address1 Short Answer

98 of 153 Answered (64.1%)

#### **Address2 Short Answer**

2 of 153 Answered (1.3%)