

York Township Survey 2007

The Township Trustees would like your input on planning for the future of York Township. You can help them by completing this brief 2-sided survey. Please circle any yes or no answers to the questions below.

Completed surveys can be mailed to: York Township, 6609 Norwalk Rd., Medina, Ohio 44256, dropped off at the silver mail box in front of the township office, or at any of the Buckeye school building offices.

- 1 How long have you lived in York Township? _____ years
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|------------|----|------------|----|---|----|-----------|----|
| 0 - 10 yrs | 22 | 11-20 yrs. | 23 | 21-30 yrs | 16 | 31-40 yrs | 13 |
| 41-50 yrs | 6 | 51+ yrs. | 7 | 1200 surveys mailed, 88 returned = 7.3% | | | |

Identity

- 2 What characteristics of York Township do you like and/or dislike?

See comments below

- 3 Do you identify yourself as a resident of: (circle one) _____ A) York B) Medina
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| | 72.7% | 20.5% |
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- 4 Should York Township have a slogan or logo? If so, what should it look like? Yes No
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| | 29.5% | 31.8% |
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- 5 Would coordinating signage help establish an identity for the township, such as, Welcome to York, Cemetery signs, Park signs, Township facilities signs. Yes No
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| | 73.9% | 19.3% |
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Web Site and Newsletter

- 6 Have you or your family ever used the township web site www.yorktwp.org? Yes No
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| | 30.7% | 64.8% |
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- 7 What additional information should be added to the web site or newsletter?
- Web site** More photos, Minutes for all meetings, Update more often, Police log, New housing development info
- Newsletter** Monthly, Survey results, More photos, Person of the Month, Classified section

Land

The township currently owns approximately 36 acres near the fire station at state route 18 and state route 252. A portion of it has been set aside for future township fire department and administration expansion.

- 8 Would you support a modest tax levy for a new township meeting and administrative facility that would provide offices for the township trustees, fiscal officer, storage for on-site retention of township records, and expanded meeting and activity hall? Yes No
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| | 31.8% | 55.7% |
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- 9 How should the remainder of the land be utilized? Please rank the following from 1 to 11, with 1 being the most important to you, and 11 being the least important to you.
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|-------------------------|--|-------------------|-----|
| Pavilion | 4.4 | Baseball field | 6.2 |
| Playground | 4.5 | Recreation Center | 6.3 |
| Paved all-purpose trail | 4.8 | Basketball court | 6.5 |
| Unpaved hiking trail | 5.2 | Soccer field | 7.3 |
| Tennis court | 7.6 | Softball field | 7.8 |
| Other | Swimming Pool, Green Space, Cemetery, Retail, Horse Trail, Farm, Picnic Grove, Track | | |
- 10 Would you support a modest tax levy to establish and maintain these facilities? Yes No
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| | 50.0% | 35.2% |
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Activities

- 11 The following is a list of activities which occur throughout the year in York Township. Please check the ones in which you participate or attend.

Spring Clean up	<u>51.1%</u>	Halloween Party	<u>20.5%</u>
Memorial Day Parade	<u>43.2%</u>	Santa at the Schoolhouse	<u>14.8%</u>
Swiss Steak Dinner	<u>52.3%</u>	York Historical Society	<u>16.0%</u>

Additional Topics

- 12 Do we need to attract more industry to the township? Yes **20.5%** No **60.2%**
- 13 Do we need to attract more office and retail establishments to the Mallet Creek area (Rt. 18 and 252)? Yes **50.0%** No **44.3%**
- 14 Is expansion of community services, such as central sewer and water, important to you? Yes **31.8%** No **61.4%**

- 15 Should the following alternative living accommodations be available in York Township?

Senior Housing	Yes	52.3%	No	37.5%
Nursing Home	Yes	41.0%	No	49.0%
Cluster Homes	Yes	16.0%	No	77.3%
Duplexes	Yes	4.5%	No	87.5%
Apartments	Yes	3.4%	No	84.1%

- 16 Please rate the following services in the township

	Good	Fair	Poor	No Opinion
Fire Protection	76.1%	3.4%	2.3%	9.1%
Police Services	52.3%	23.9%	5.7%	6.8%
Road Maintenance	61.4%	17.0%	5.7%	4.5%
Snow Removal	59.1%	21.6%	8.0%	4.5%
Recreation	19.3%	17.0%	27.3%	23.9%
Township Newsletter	61.4%	23.9%	5.7%	3.4%
Cemetery	36.4%	17.0%	0.0%	33.0%
Town Hall Rental	36.4%	10.2%	1.1%	35.2%
Zoning Enforcement	31.8%	13.6%	14.8%	23.9%

- 17 Other comments: **See below**

- 18 Would you like to participate in the future planning or donate services to any of the above projects? If so, please include your name and the best way to reach you.

The results of this survey will be available at a future township meeting, and on the township web site www.yorktwp.org

The date for the meeting will be announced in the local newspapers and on the web site.

Thank you for being a part of the planning for the future of York Township

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Survey Comments

Question 2. What characteristics of York Township do you like and /or dislike?

Likes:

Rural and quiet
Small town /farms
Large lots
No city taxes
Country living
Friendly neighbors and atmosphere
Open areas
Not a lot of industry
Nice homes
Roads are terrific. Best anywhere I have lived.
School, road maintenance
Close to city and amenities
Beauty of the country
Clear roads in the winter
Familiar
Rail trail and NEOLS
Historical Society complex
York Church
Minimal crime

Dislikes:

Small lot development
No cable in some areas or DSL
Lack of retail
Residents fire guns in yard too often
Old York School is an eyesore
Developments without resident's approval
Small lots and a lot of houses
Behind the times zoning
No school support
High taxes
No improvements available to new homes
No park
New large homes
Loud noises
Ditches are a hazard
General clean up of Mallet Creek
Increased traffic
Unregulated speed of traffic
Trash burning

Comments:

Need a mail drop
Recycling station
Bank branch, drug store, grocery store
Have clean up dumpsters twice a year
Increase parking at the town hall
Increase sheriff patrols
Sidewalk to the rail trail
Monitor business activities to ensure zoning compliance
Need more business and industry for tax base
More social events at the fire station

**Note: All individual comments are not summarized here.
All returned surveys will be available for public review at the
Township office during regular business hours.**