

ONLINE SURVEY & WEB MAP RESULTS



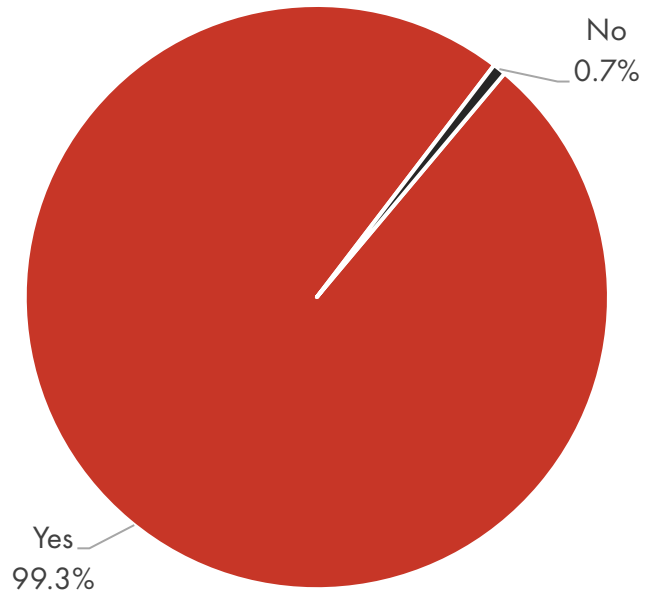
Peters Township Comprehensive Plan Update
Peters Township
Washington County, Pennsylvania

INTRODUCTION

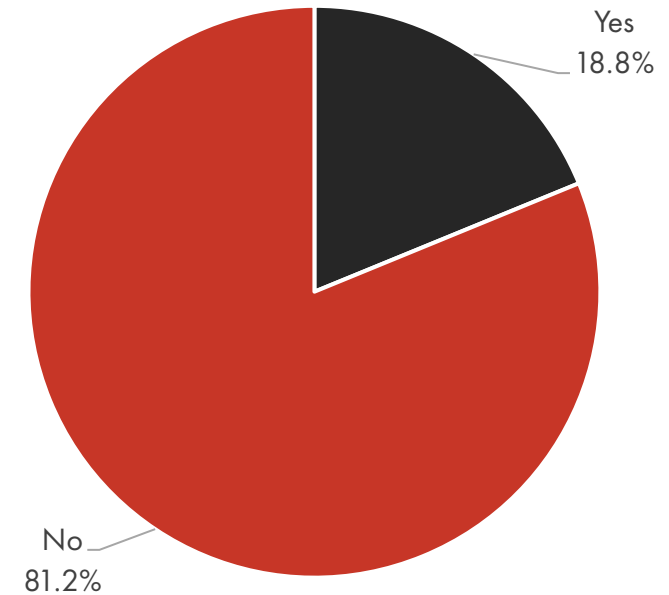
- The following is a summary of the comments and results received through the Online Community Survey and Online Web Mapping Tool.
- The survey and map were created to allow residents and stakeholders to provide comments and feedback online on important issues and topics for the comprehensive plan update to address.
- The online survey and map were available from June 27th, 2025 to August 18th, 2025.

SURVEY RESULTS BACKGROUND INFORMATION

1. Are you a resident of Peters Township?



2. Do you work in the Township or own a business in the Township?

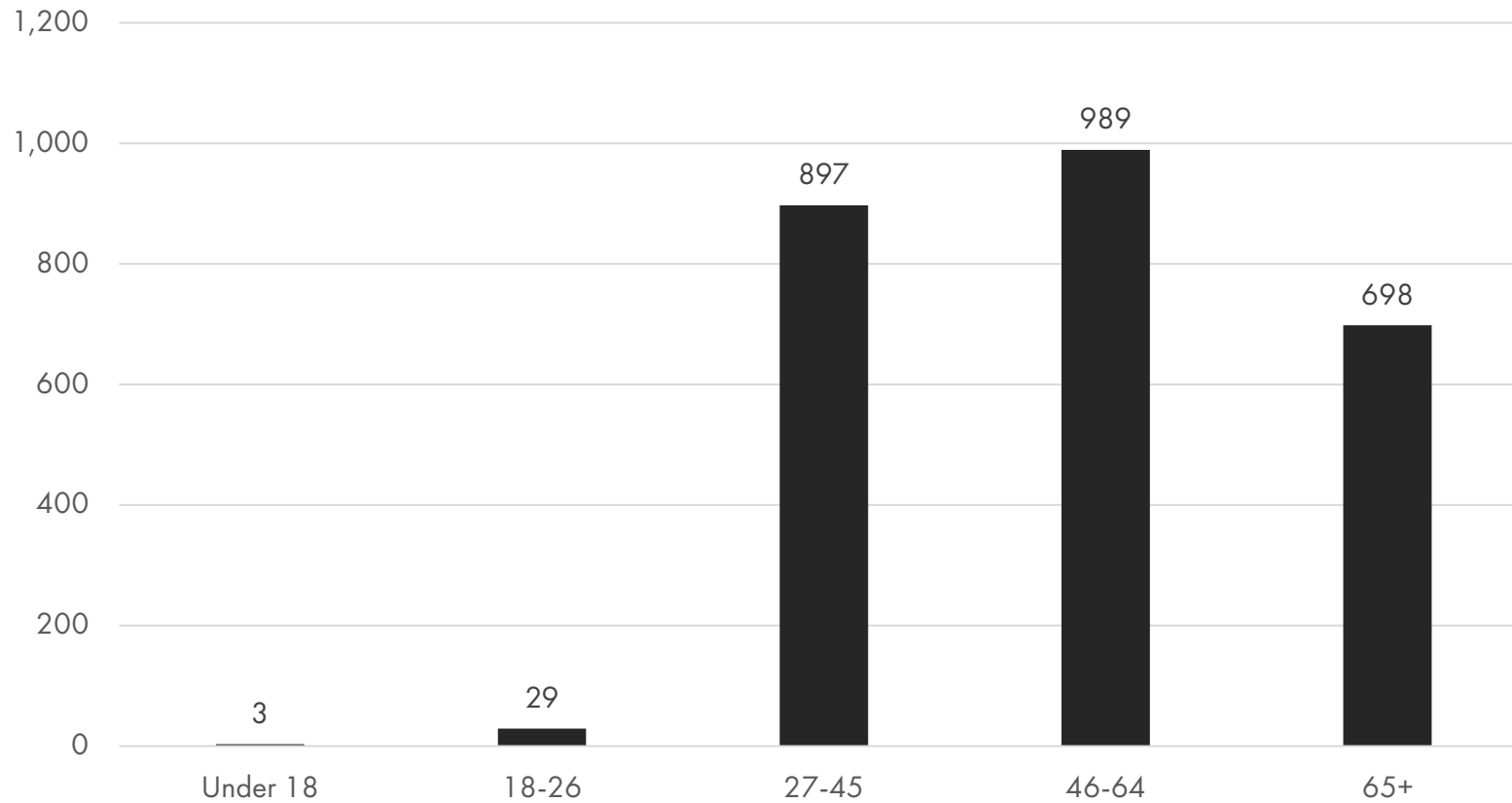


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TOTAL RESPONSES

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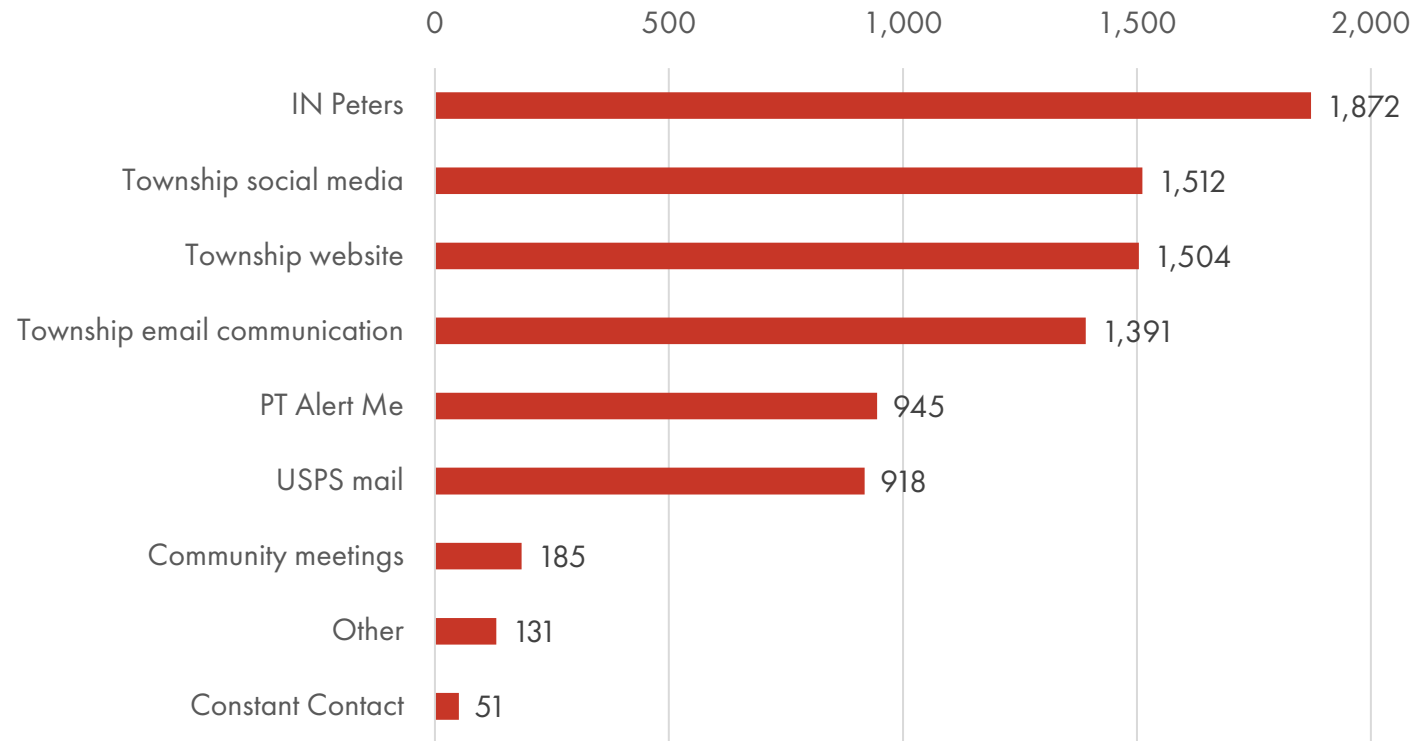
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3. In what age range do you fall?



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4. From what sources do you receive news about the Township?

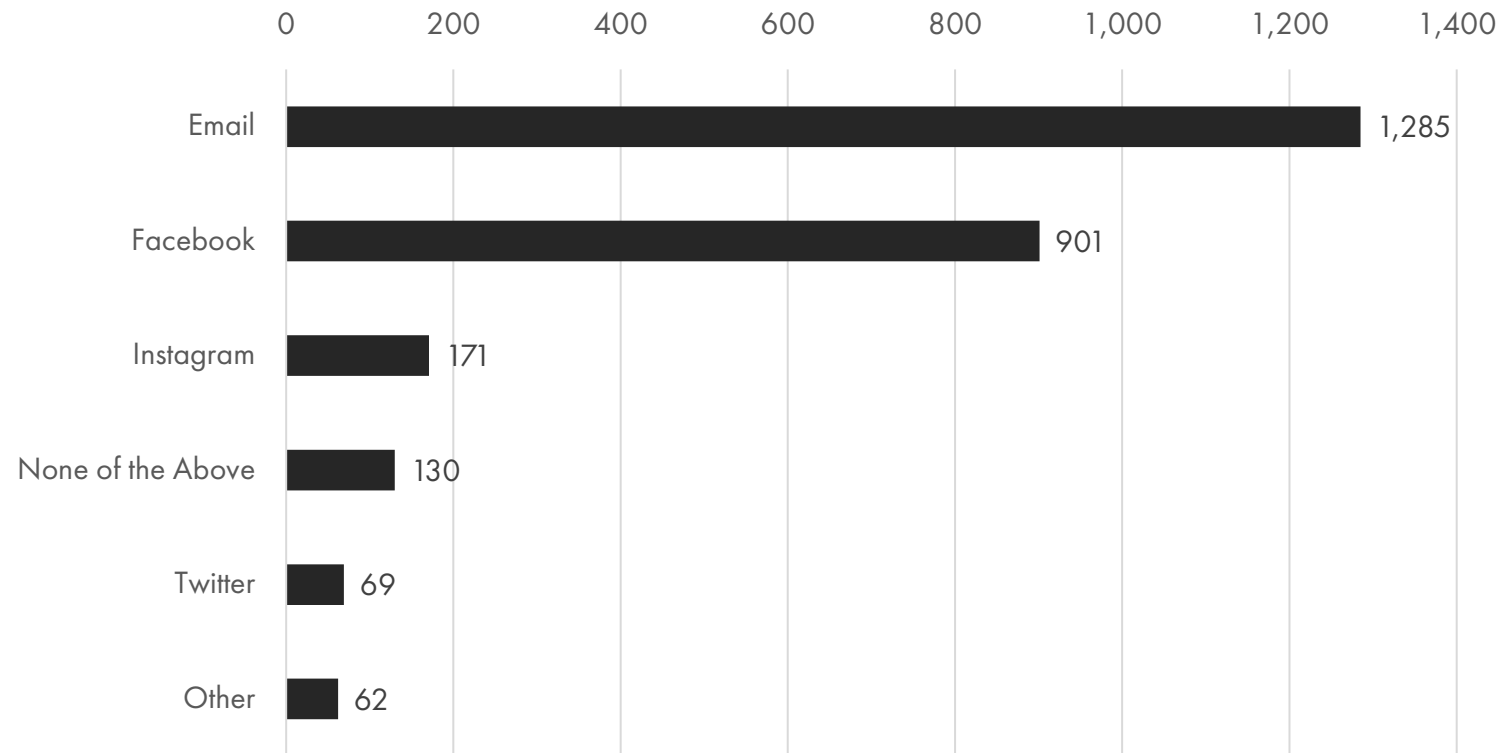


Top Other Responses:

- Newspaper (31)
- Word of Mouth (26)
- Social Media (19)
- School Communication (16)

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5. What method of social media do you find is the most effective for you?

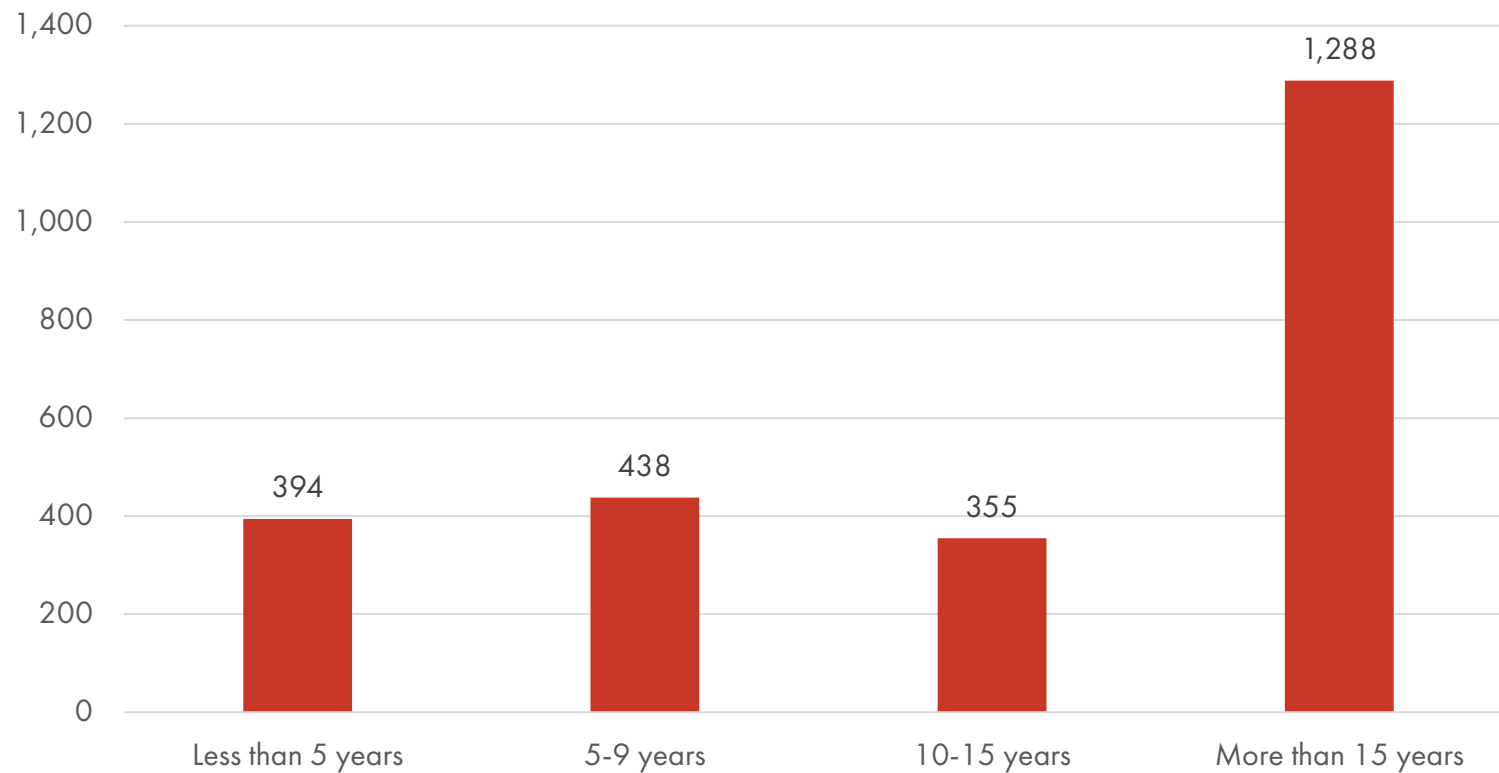


Top Other Responses:

- Text/Phone Alerts (23)
- Mail/Print (19)
- Other Social Media Platforms (11)
- None (5)
- Website/App (3)

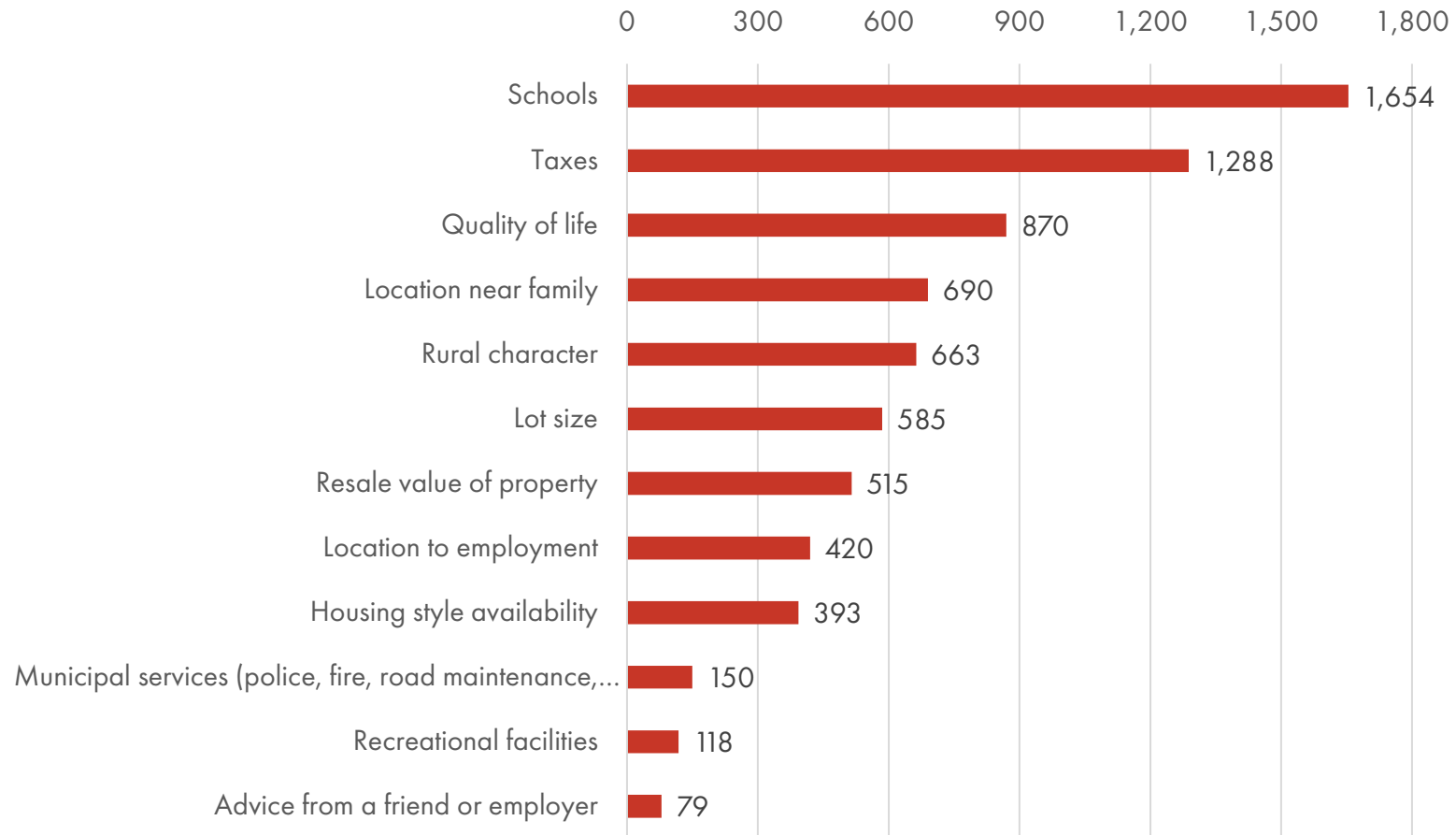
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6. How long have you lived in Peters Township?



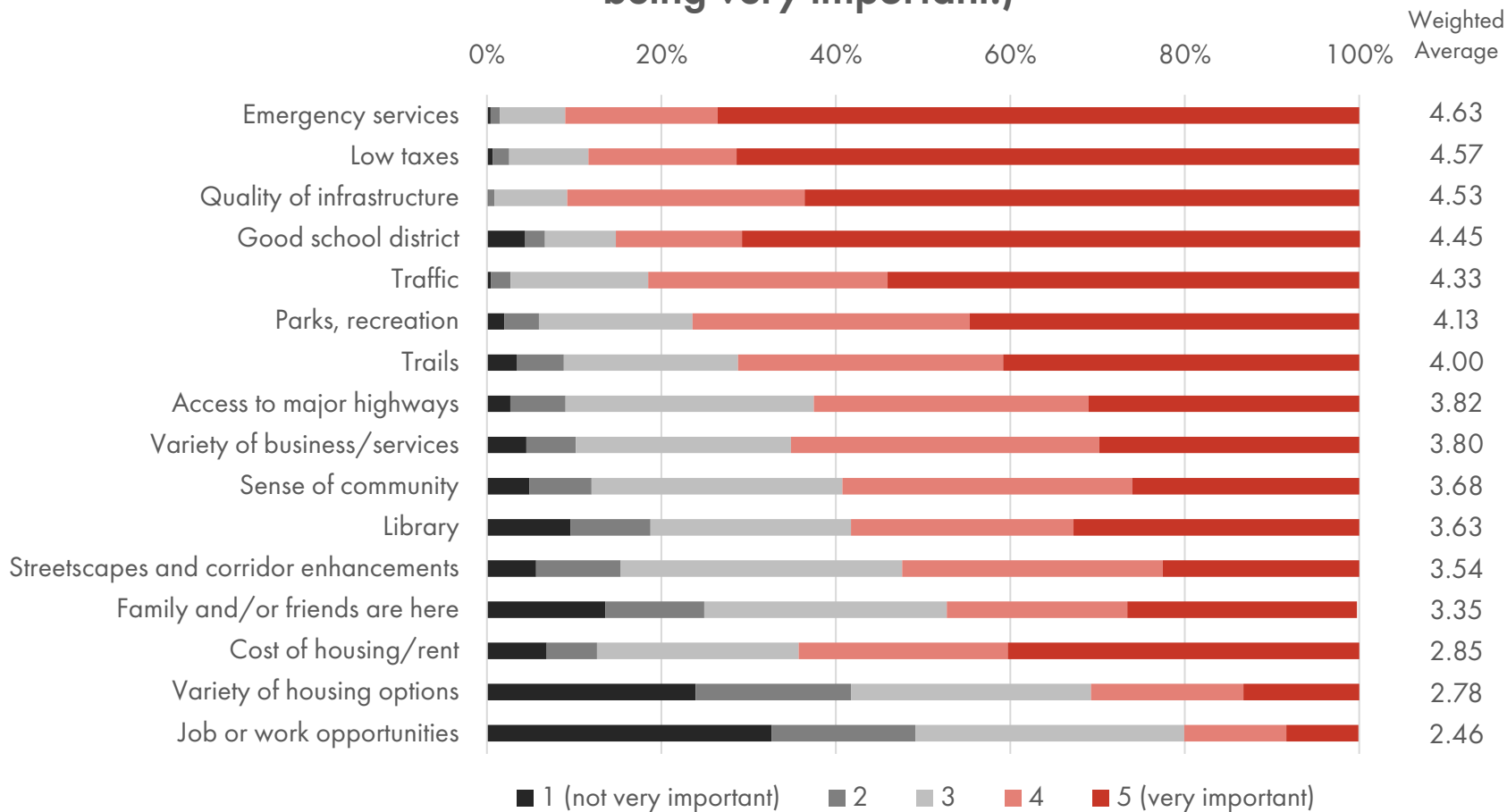
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7. Please select the top 3 reasons why you selected Peters Township as your place of residence.



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8. How important are each of the aspects of your community listed below to you today living in Peters Township? (Please rate the importance of each, with 1 being not important and 5 being very important.)

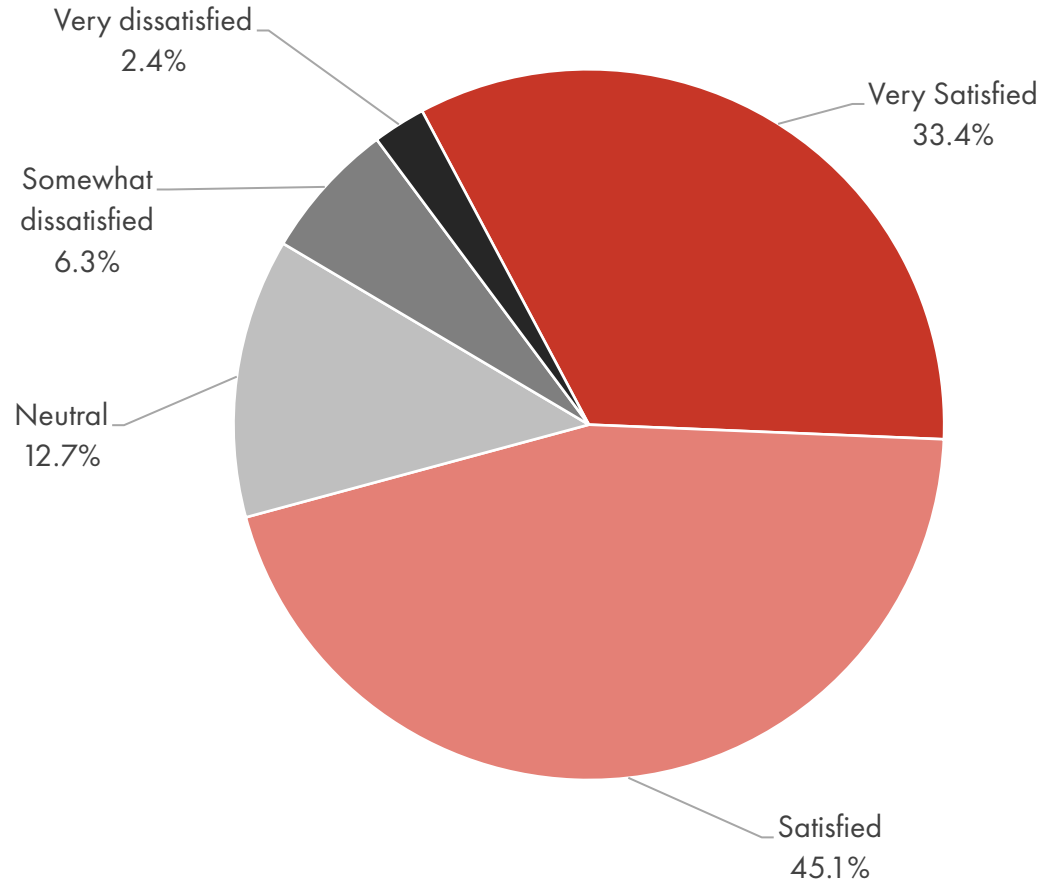


Top Other Responses:

- Housing Preferences (163)
- Natural Environment (147)
- Community Amenities (108)
- Safety (94)
- Infrastructure (84)
- Governance (42)
- Lifestyle Values (38)

SURVEY RESULTS

9. In general, how satisfied are you with Peters Township as a place to live?

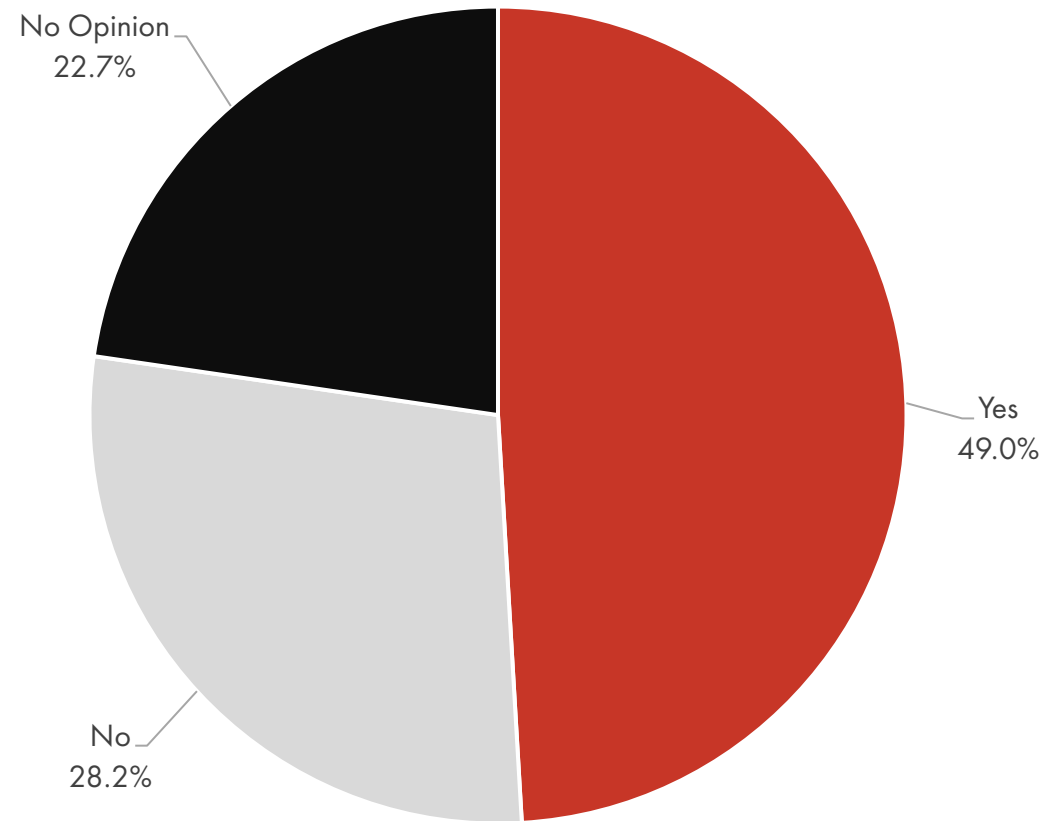


Top Reasons for Selection "Neutral", "Somewhat Dissatisfied", or "Very Dissatisfied":

- Overdevelopment (342)
- Traffic (202)
- Infrastructure Issues (173)
- Environmental Impact (156)
- Lack of Amenities (142)
- Affordability (113)
- Governance Concerns (89)
- Community Culture (76)

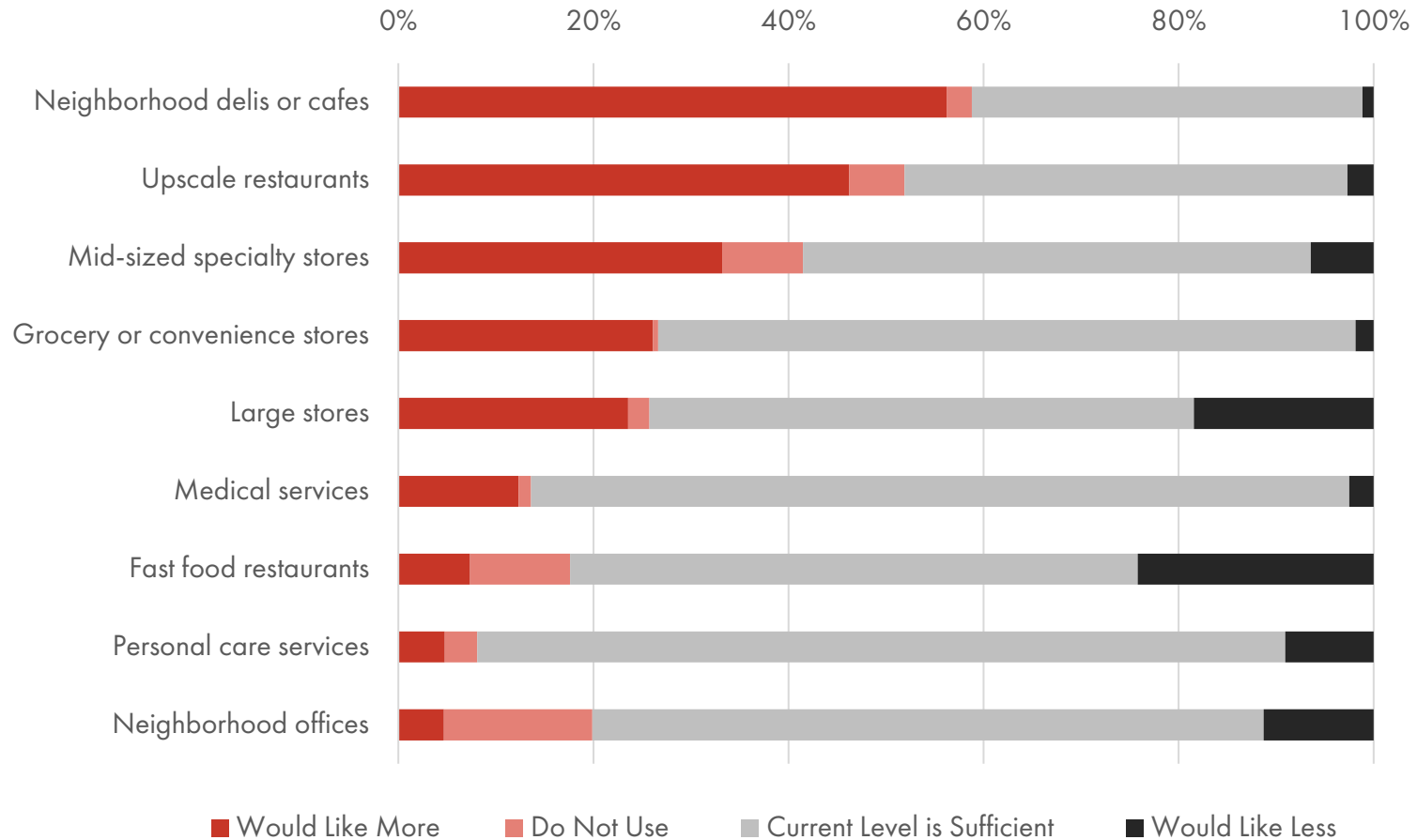
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11. Do you believe that the current variety and/or affordability of the housing in Peters Township will meet your household's needs at retirement?



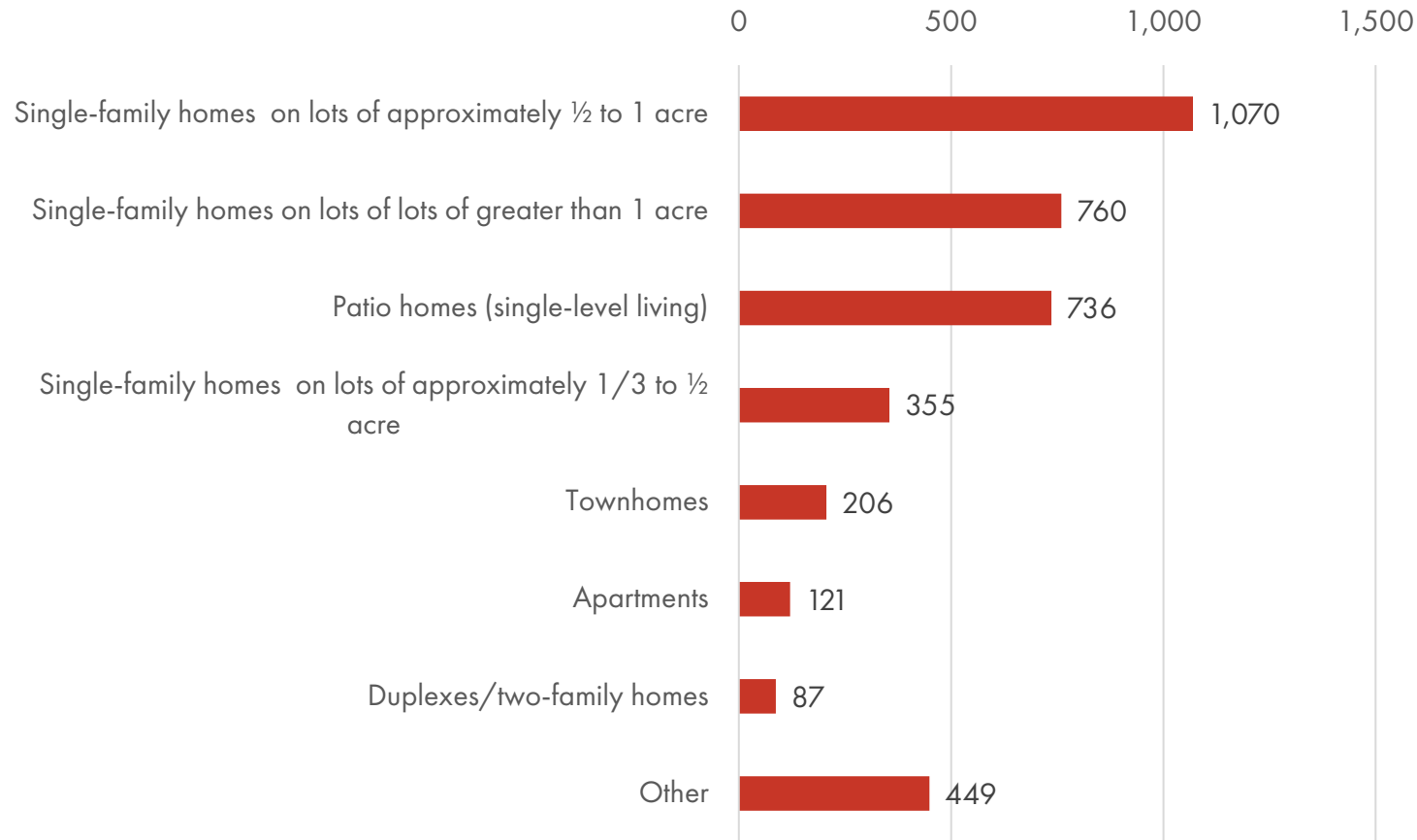
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12. How well are the Township's businesses and services meeting your household's needs?



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13. What type of residential development would you like to see more of in Peters Township?

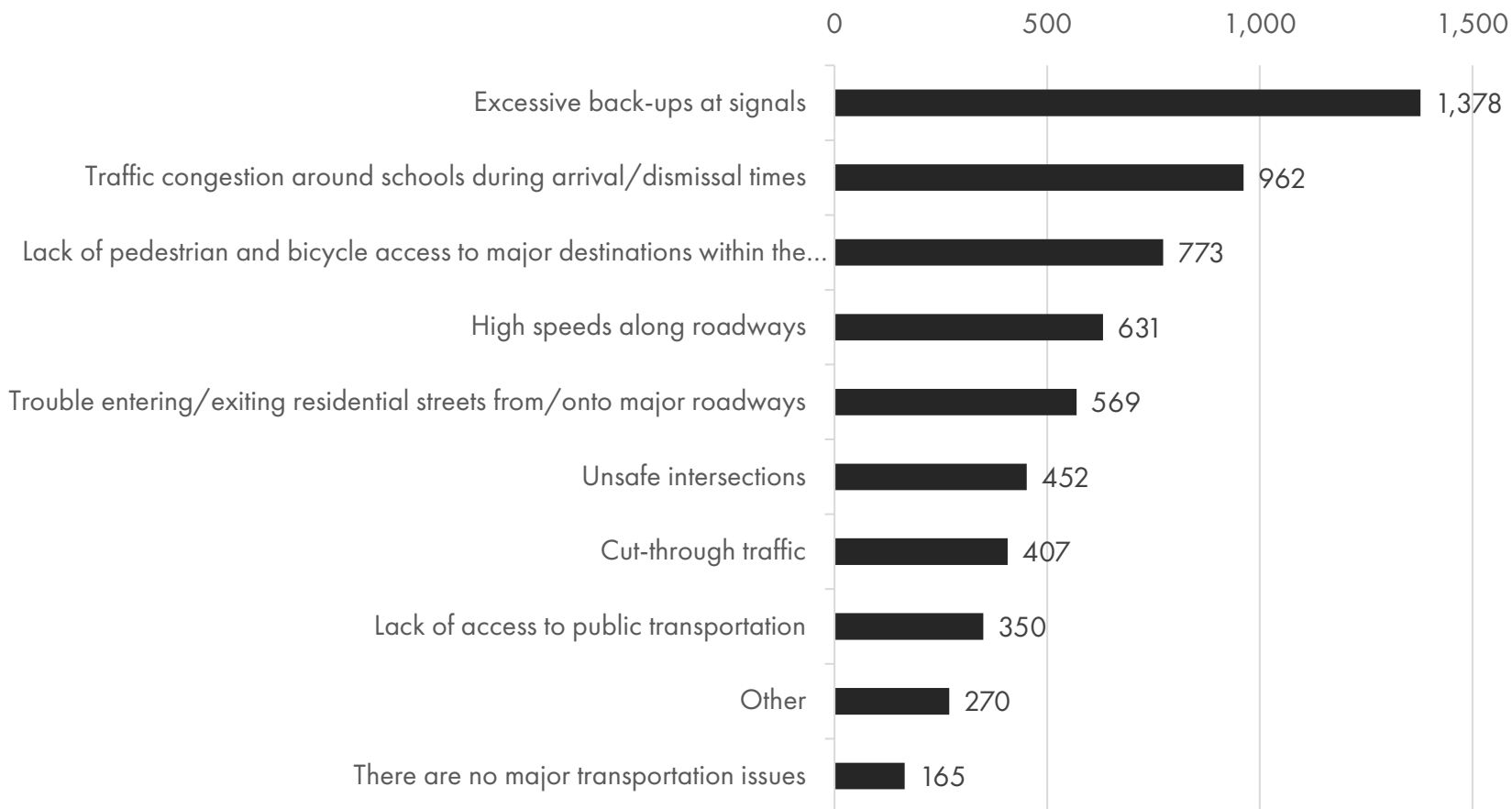


Top Other Responses:

- No more development/Overbuilt (342)
- Affordable housing options (24)
- 50+/Retirement communities (14)
- No apartments/multifamily development or homes on lots <1/2 acre (10)
- Preserve green and open spaces (9)
- Patio or ranch style homes (8)
- Smaller lots and shared family development (4)
- Businesses, hotels, and farm (4)
- Mixed use (3)
- Walkability/Connectivity (3)
- Large Lot Homes (2)
- Condos (2)

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14. What does your household perceive as major transportation issues within Peters Township?

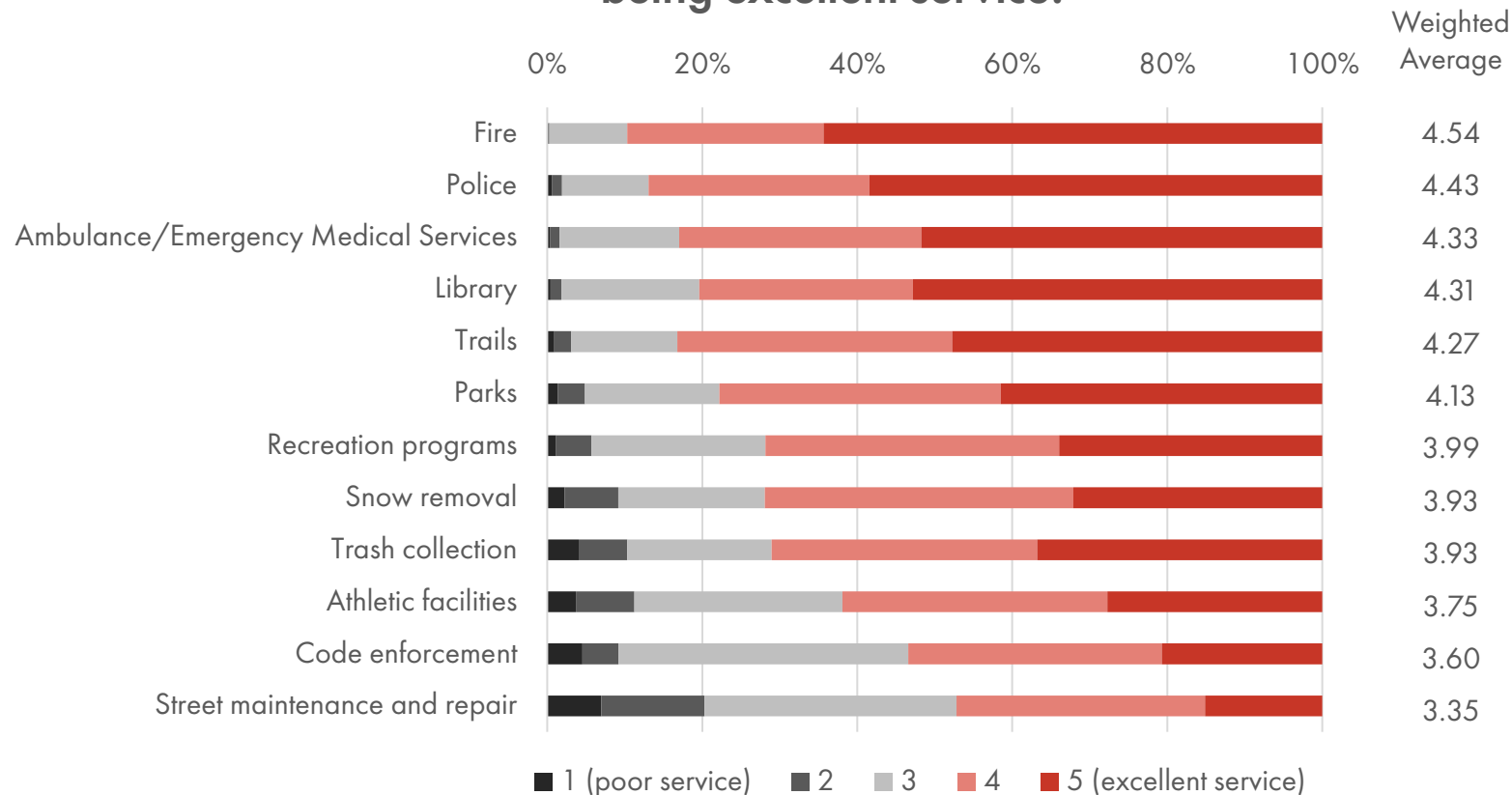


Top Other Responses:

- Poor road and traffic infrastructure and connectivity (48)
- Speeding and other dangerous driver practices (44)
- Overcrowding and overdevelopment (36)
- Sidewalks, connectivity, and pedestrian safety (32)
- Traffic and congestion (32)
- Poor road conditions (27)
- Construction issues (20)
- General safety concerns on streets, at intersections, etc. (13)

SURVEY RESULTS

15. How would you rate the quality of services in Peters Township? Please rate, with 1 being poor service and 5 being excellent service.

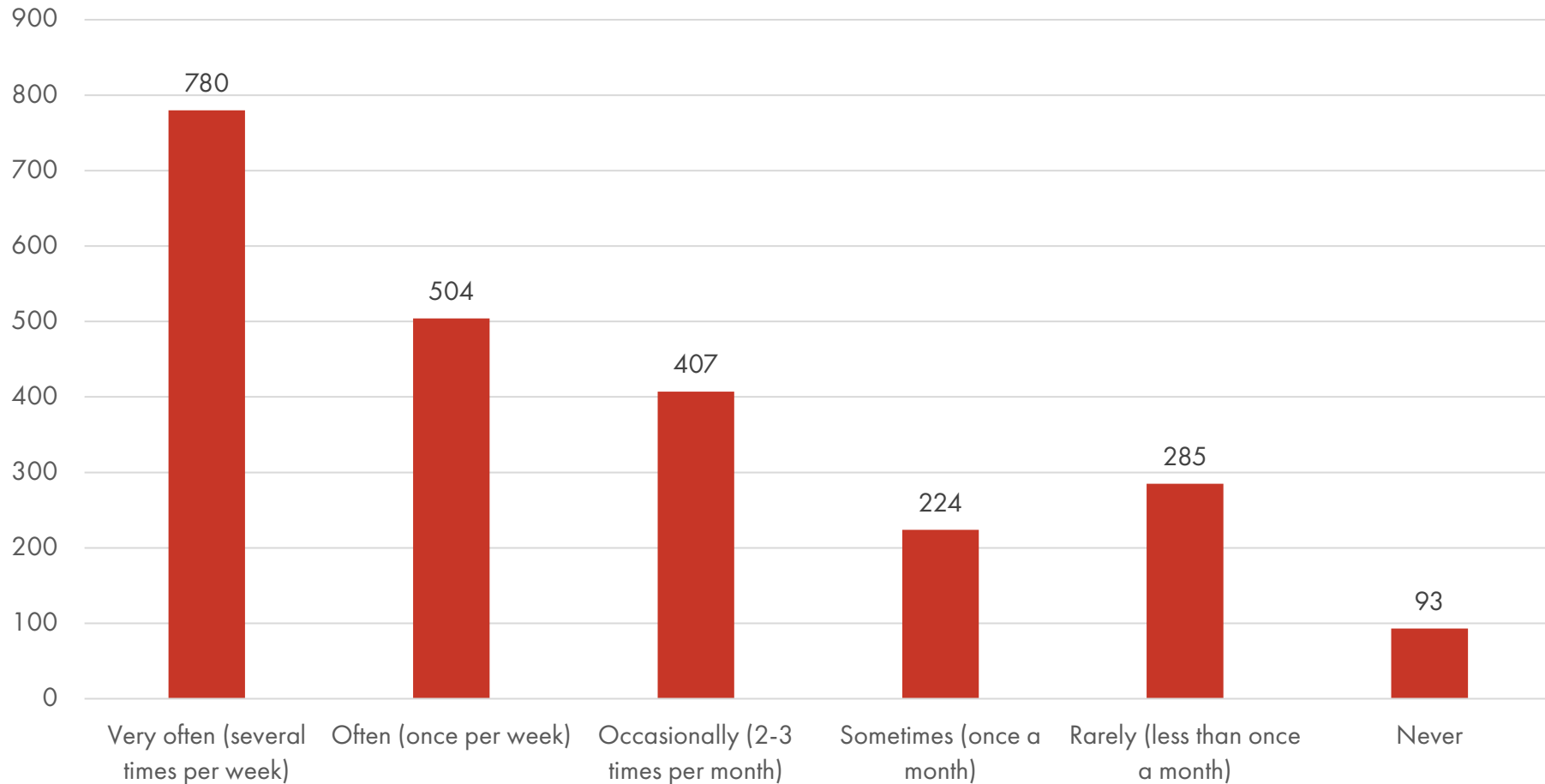


Other Services:

- Recreation Facilities (42)
- Trash Collection (36)
- Road Maintenance (24)
- Park and Trail Maintenance (14)
- Public Safety (9)
- Code Enforcement (5)
- Sewage and Stormwater (5)
- Zoning and Development (4)
- Community Services (4)

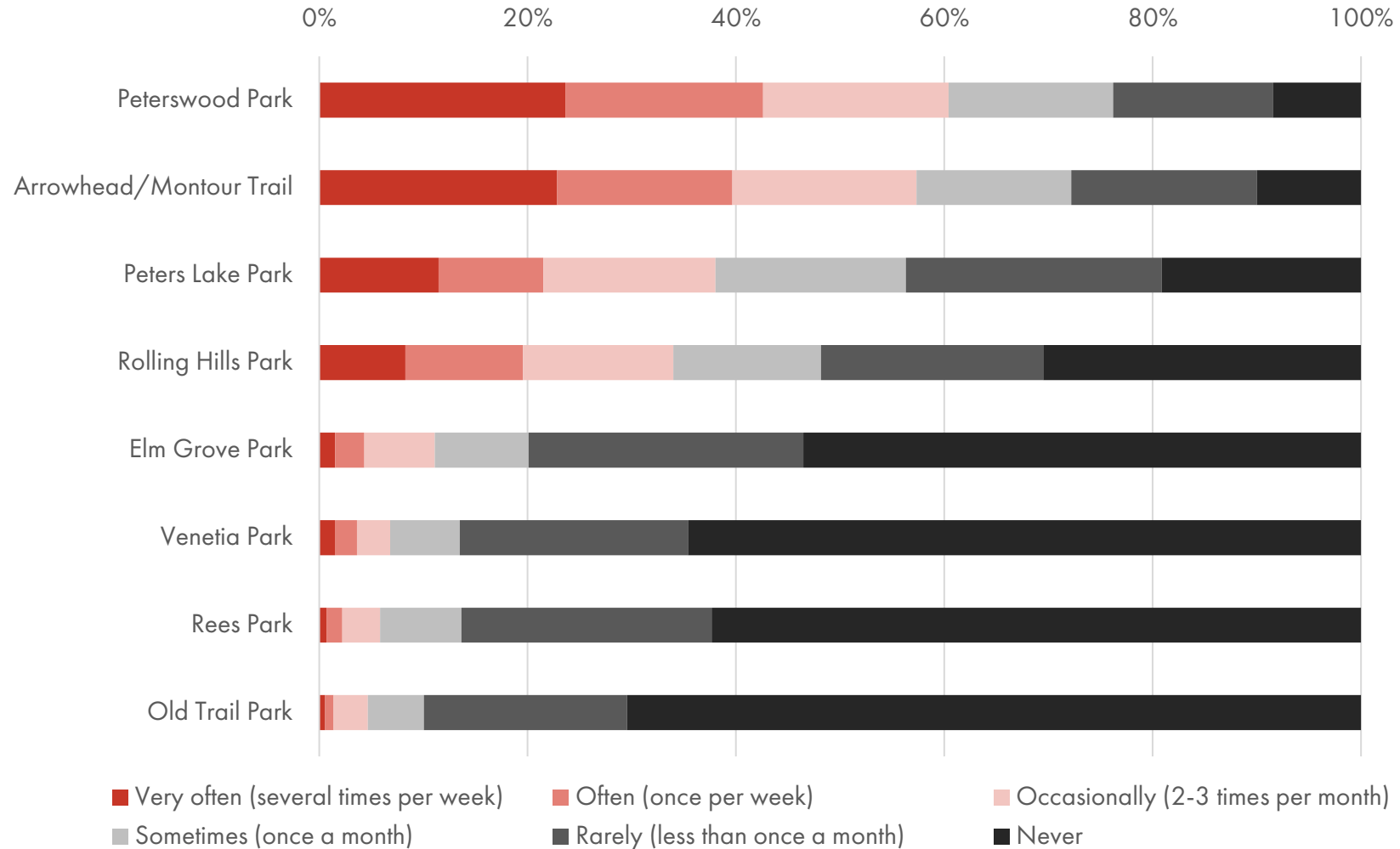
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16. Peters Township has 7 parks and recreational fields that cover more than 513 acres of Township land. How often do you or others in your household use a Township park or recreational field?



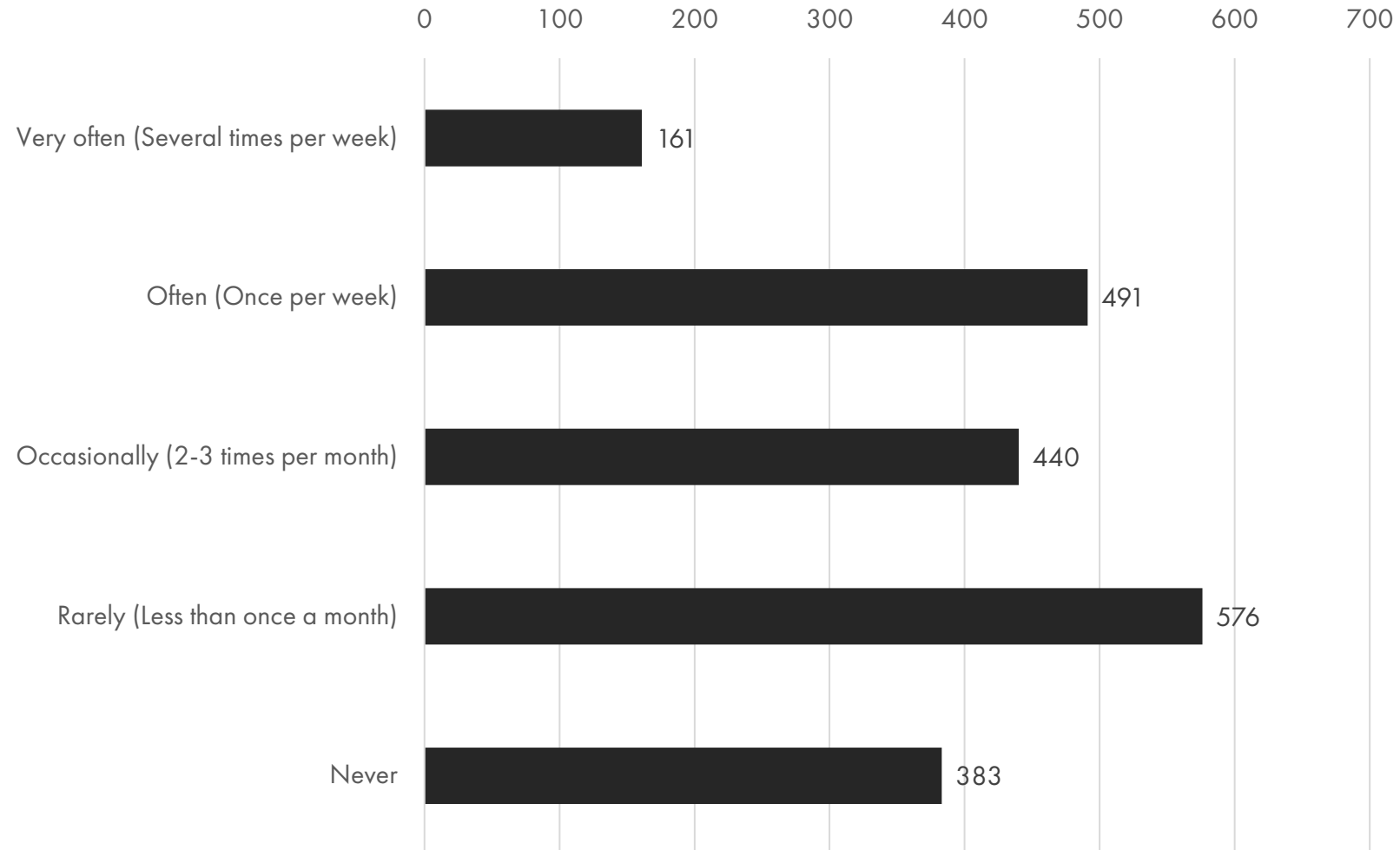
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17. Which facility or park do you visit and how often?



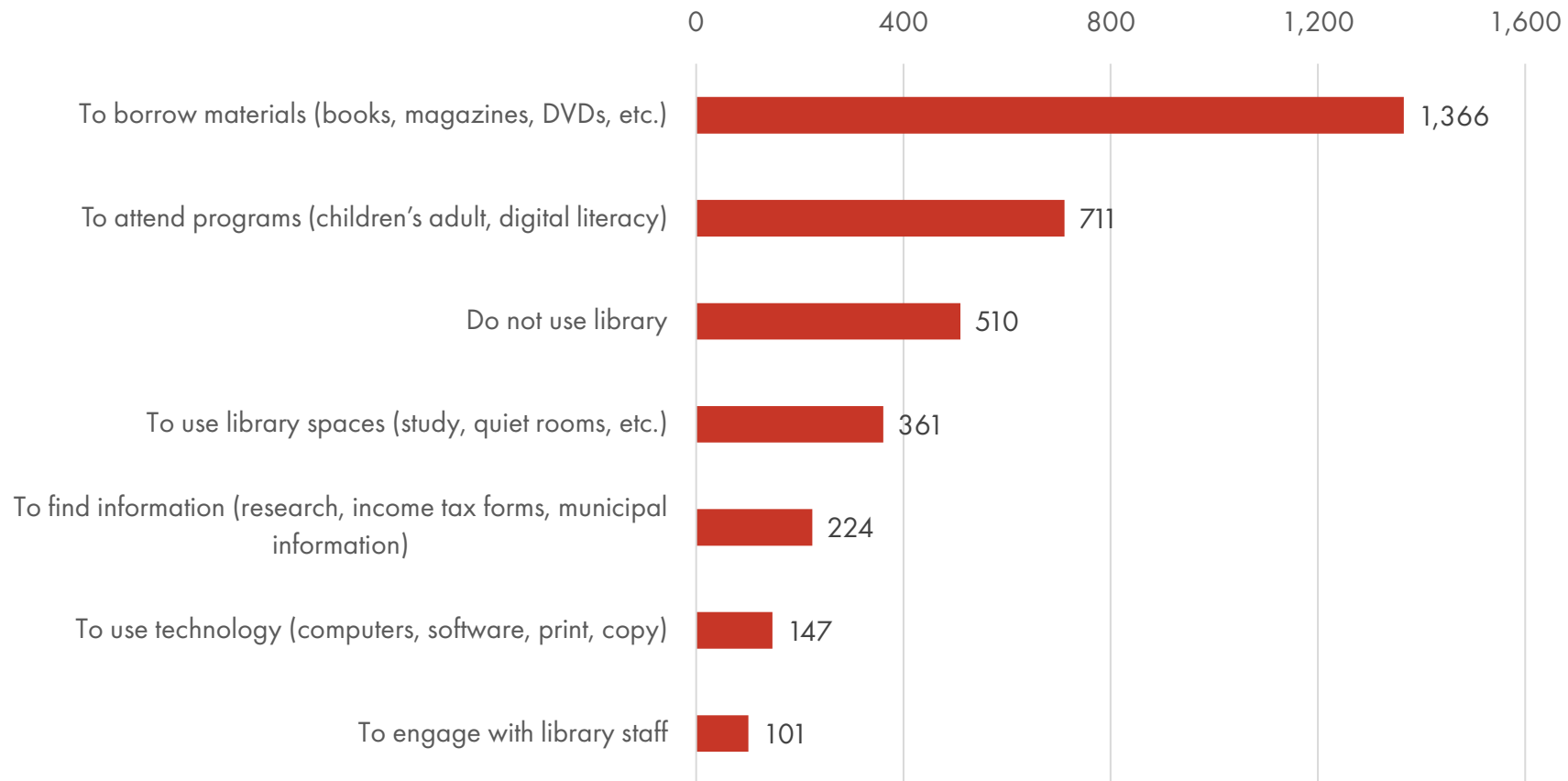
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18. How often do you use the Peters Township Library?



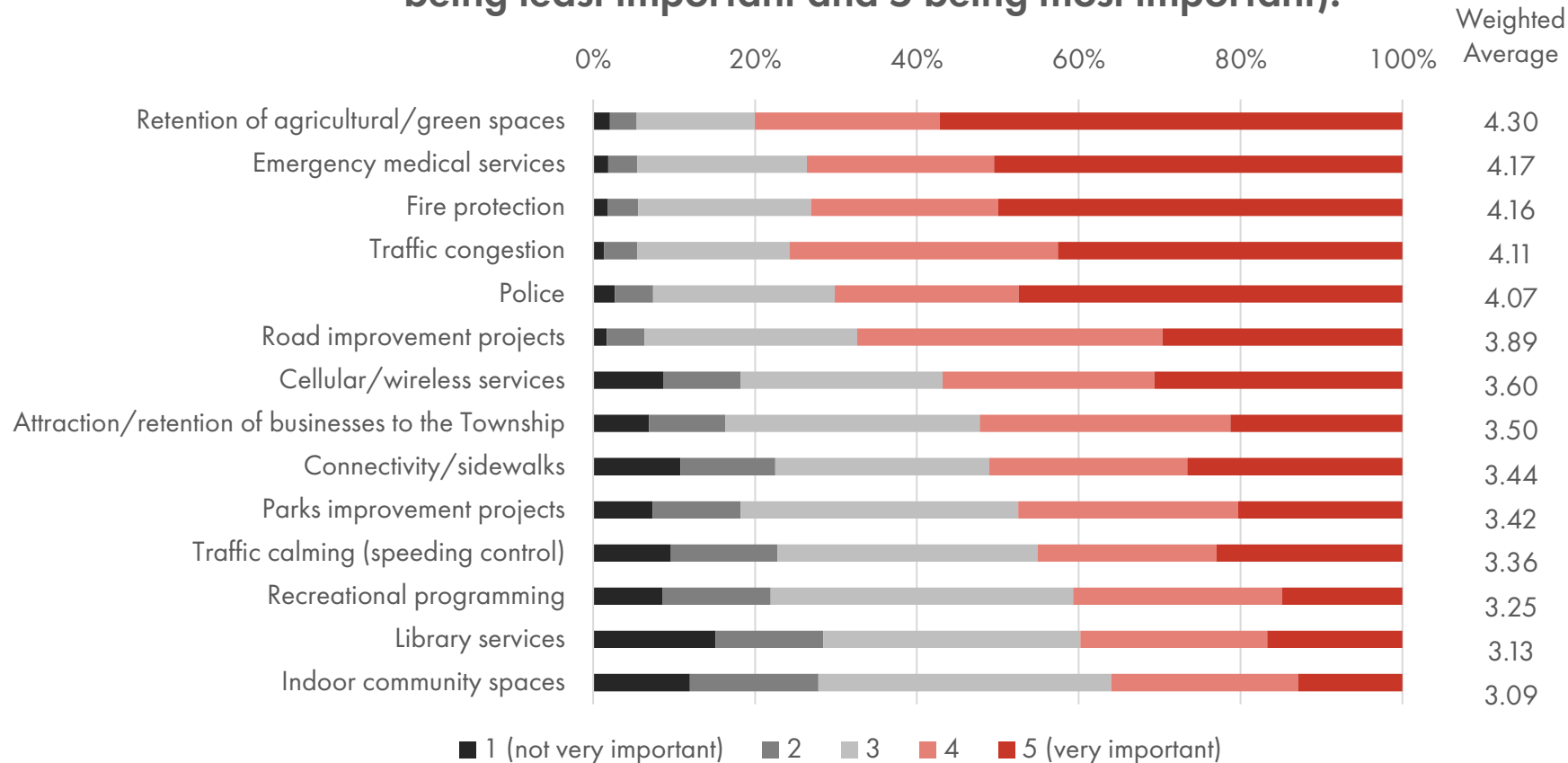
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19. What are your main reasons for using the library? Please check all that apply.



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20. What issues do you think should be most important to Peters Township government, officials, and staff moving forward as the plan update is developed? (Please rate, with 1 being least important and 5 being most important).

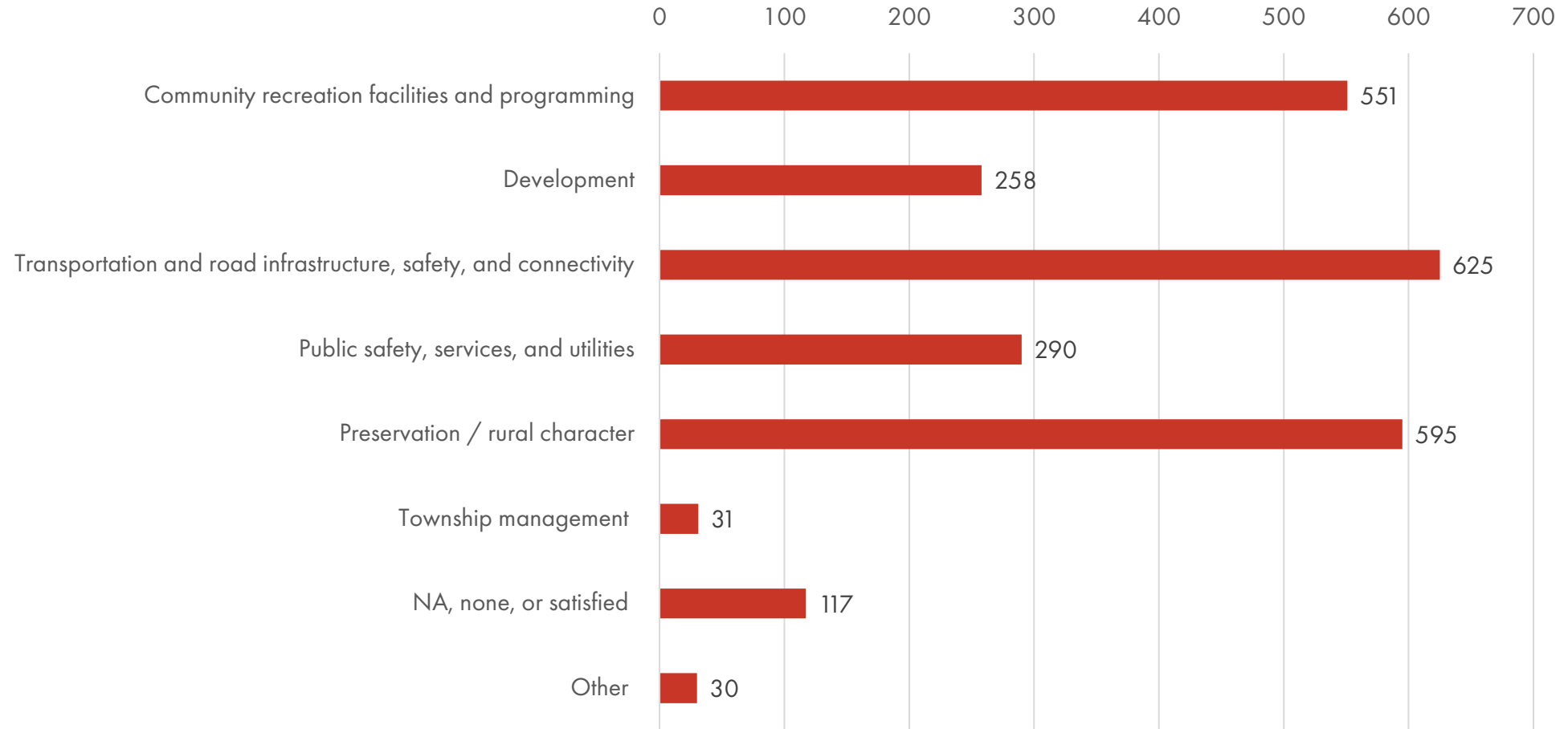


Top Other Responses:

- Manage growth and development (112)
- Protect natural resources (58)
- Maintain quality of life (54)
- Improve infrastructure (47)
- Enhance public safety (32)
- Promote economic development (29)
- Increase community engagement (18)

SURVEY RESULTS

21. What is the most important "Wish List" item or service the Township should try and accomplish?



SURVEY RESULTS

Top Wishlist Categories

Category	Count	Subcategory	Count
Community recreation facilities and programming	551	Community pool	269
		Better recreation center	72
		Community, recreational, and park infrastructure, services, and programming	93
		Athletic Facilities	24
		Improvements, maintenance, and completion of public parks and facilities	78
		Upgrade, maintain, and fund the library	6
		Indoor and outdoor spaces for youth entertainment	6
		Don't want public pool	3
Development	258	Town square/downtown area with business strip	71
		Businesses, Restaurants, and Entertainment	157
		Elderly housing (single story homes) and additional support	20
		Gas stations	4
		Community and housing diversity	6
Transportation and road infrastructure, safety, and connectivity	625	Sidewalks, walkability/bikeability, and connectivity	201
		General traffic and traffic safety concerns	244
		Improving, maintaining and beautifying road and traffic infrastructure	171
		Public transit	9
Public safety, services, and utilities	290	Cell reception	51
		Affordability and taxes	114
		General public safety- police/law and code enforcement, EMS, and fire services	68
		Snow removal, storm management, garbage and utility services	57

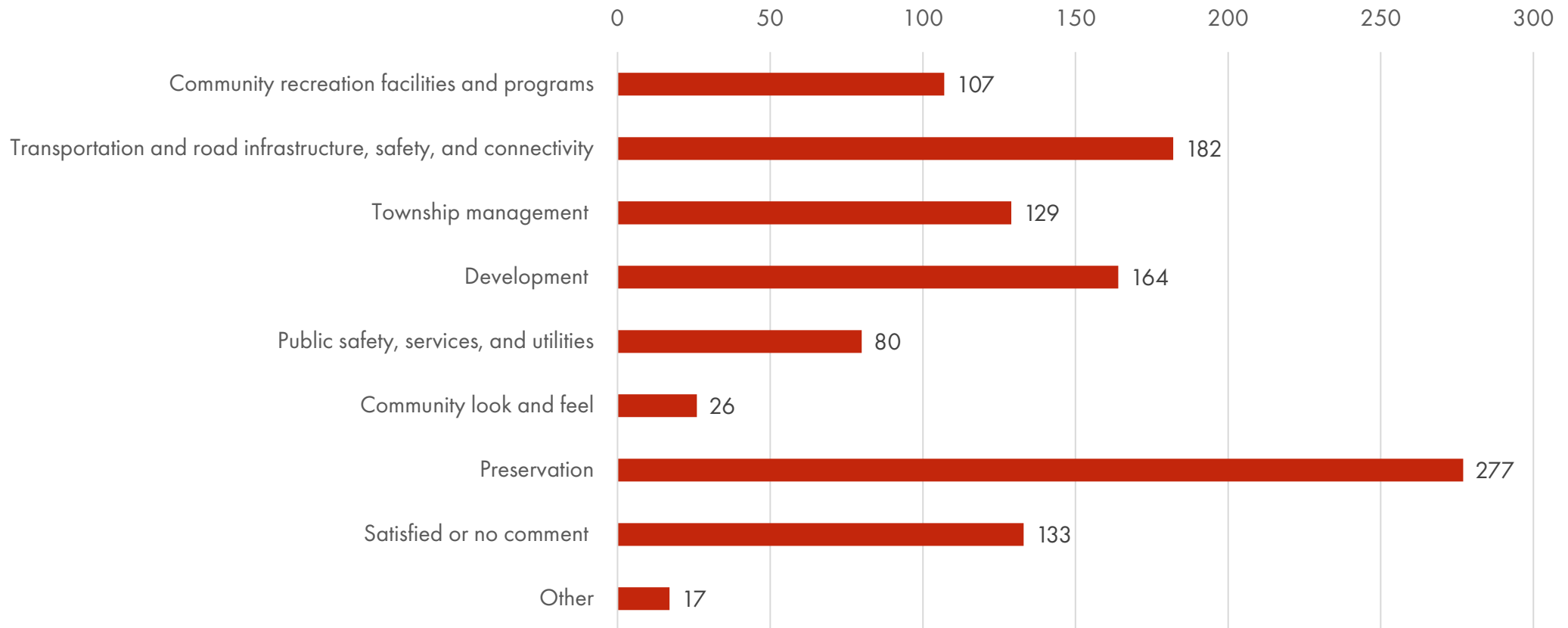
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Top Wishlist Categories Ctd.

Category	Count	Subcategory	Count
Preservation / rural character	595	Preserve parks, open space, farms, and rural charm	234
		Stop, limit, and restrict development and large lot minimums	361
Township management	31	Storm management, waste management, utilities, and other public services	4
		Cell service and the power grid	10
		Public safety, police, EMS, fire, and code enforcement services	7
		Maintain good schools	5
		Proactive zoning and cohesive planning	3
		Small government, better management, council concerns, and public service	2
Other			30
Satisfied/no comment			117

SURVEY RESULTS

22. Is there anything else you'd like the comprehensive planning team to be aware of moving forward with the Township's Comprehensive Plan Update?



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Top Other Comments

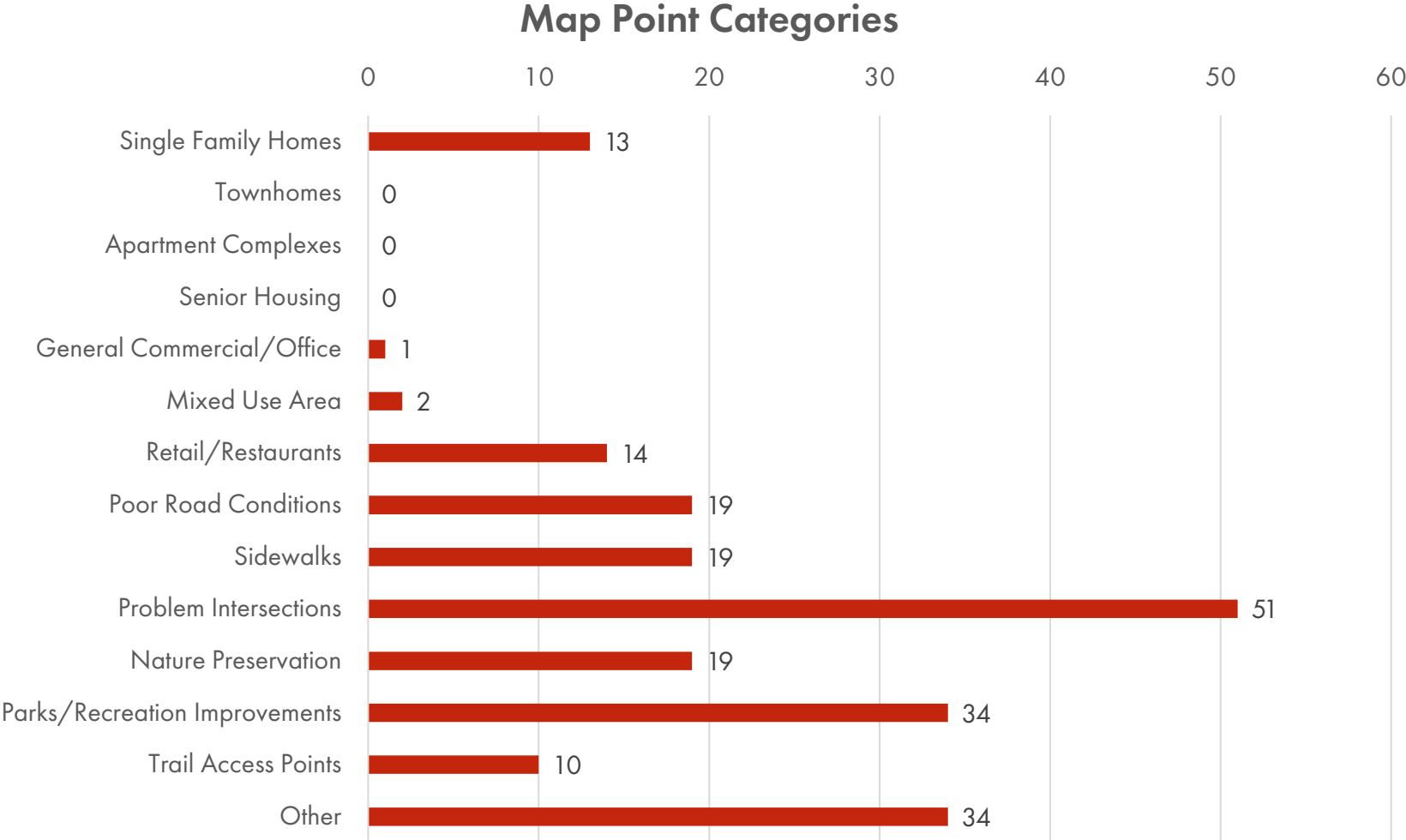
Category	Count	Subcategory	Count
Preservation	277	Preserve green space, parks, farms, and rural charm	120
		Stop development/overcrowded and developed	157
Transportation and road infrastructure, safety, and connectivity	182	Walkability/bikeability, connectivity, public transportation and accessibility	40
		Road infrastructure and parking	79
		Traffic and road safety	63
Development	164	Town center	20
		No high-density housing/Large lot development requirements	104
		New businesses, restaurants, and entertainment	29
		More housing and housing diversity	6
		Other development comments	5
Township management	129	Updated zoning and planning improvements	38
		Consider needs of all residents and senior resident needs	14
		General Township management complaints	6
		Better community communication and public engagement	9
		Political issues	4

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Top Other Comments Ctd.

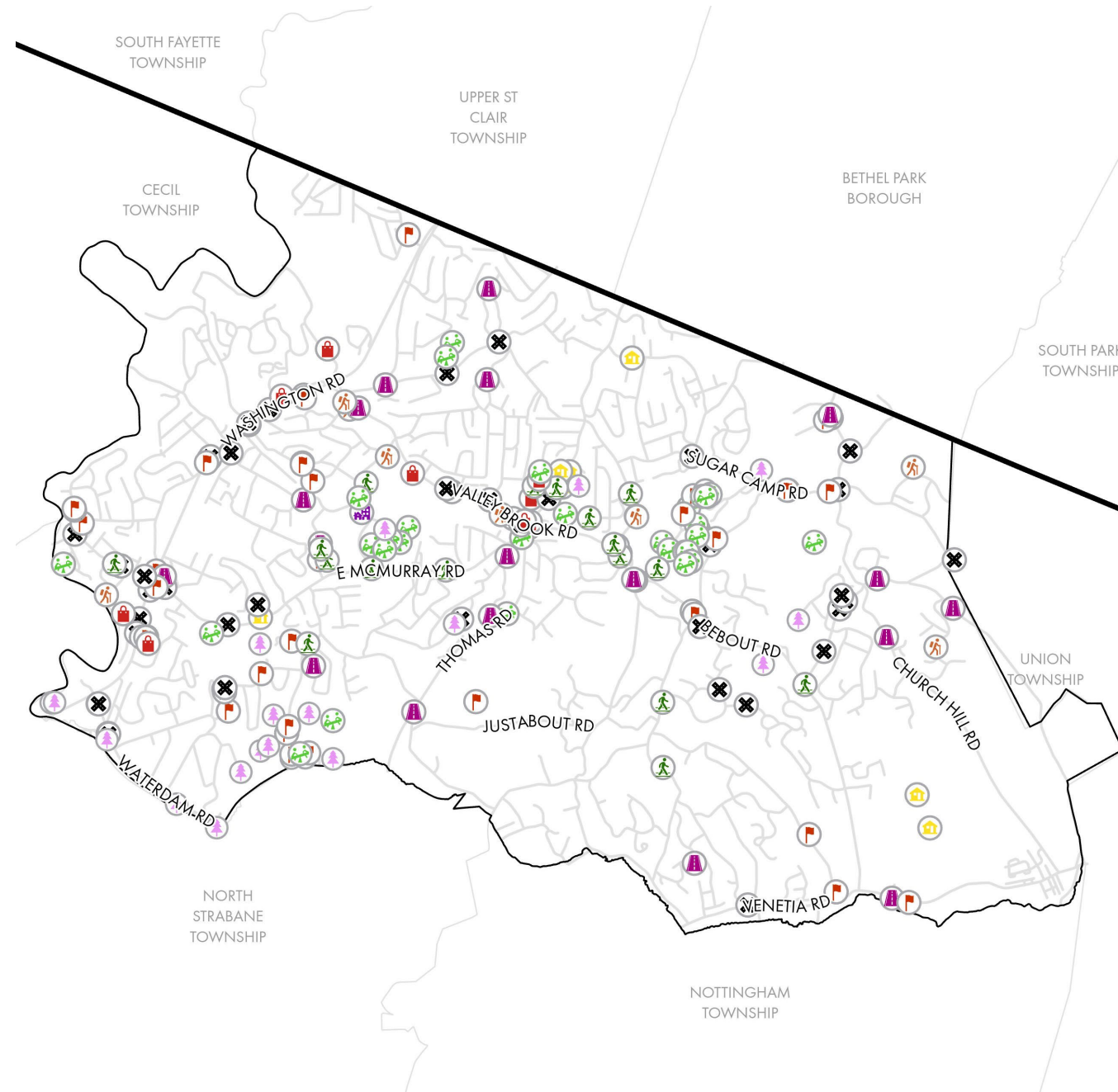
Category	Count	Subcategory	Count
Community recreation facilities and programs	107	Better recreation center, community/recreational facilities, community programs, and athletic facilities	69
		Want community pool/aquatic center	32
		Don't want community pool	6
Public safety, services, and utilities	80	Storm management, waste management, utilities, and other public services	20
		Cell service and the power grid	9
		Public safety, police, EMS, fire, and code enforcement services	49
Other			17
Satisfied/no comment			133

MAPPING RESULTS



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TOTAL POINTS

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ALL CATEGORIES

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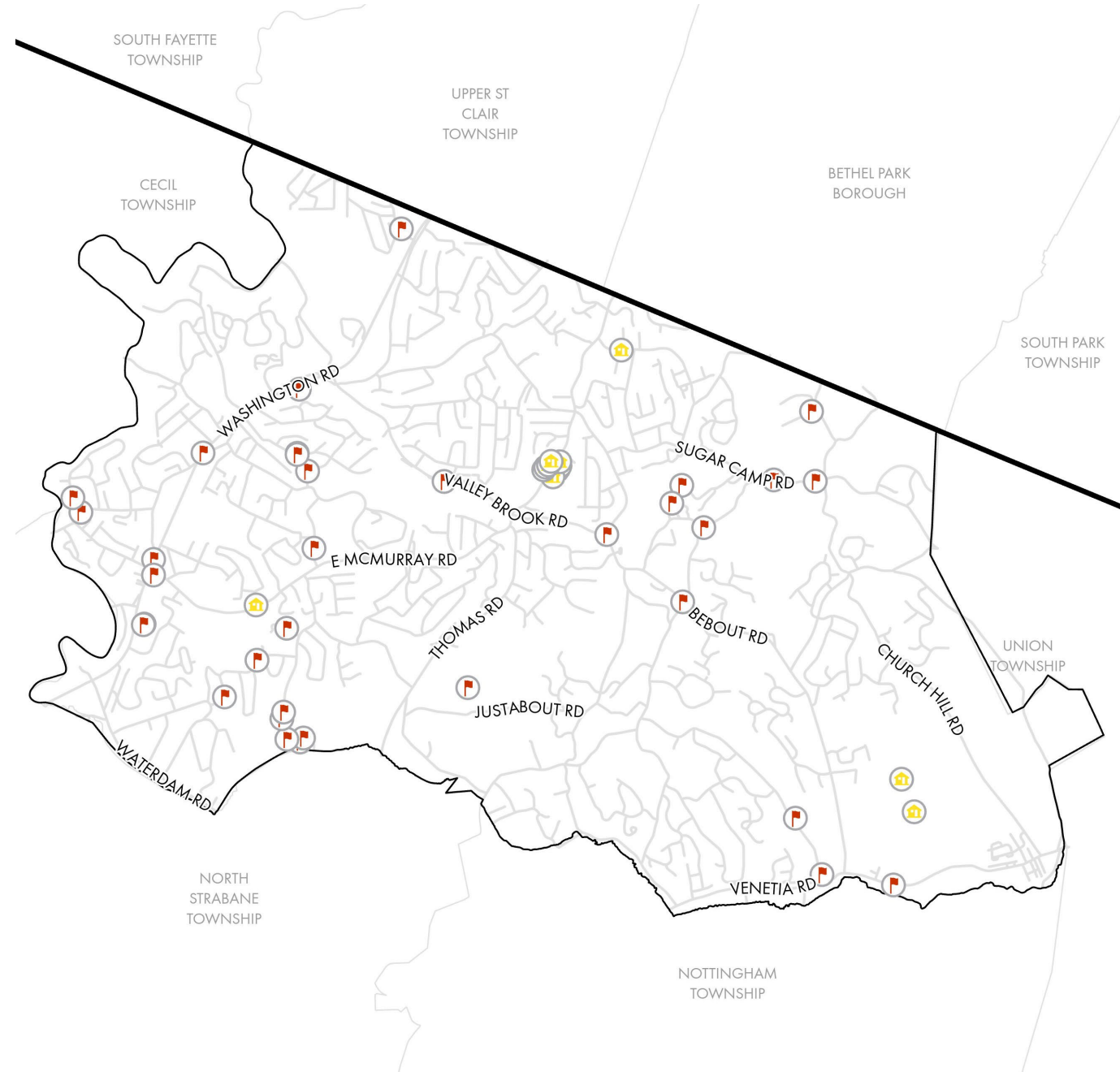
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Comment Category

- Single-Family Homes
- General Commercial/Office
- Mixed Use Area (Residential/Commercial)
- Nature Preservation
- Parks/Recreation Improvements
- Poor Road Conditions
- Retail/Restaurants
- Sidewalks
- Trail Access Point
- Problem Intersection
- Other

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MAPPING RESULTS HOUSING & OTHER




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Comment Category

-  Single-Family Homes
-  Other

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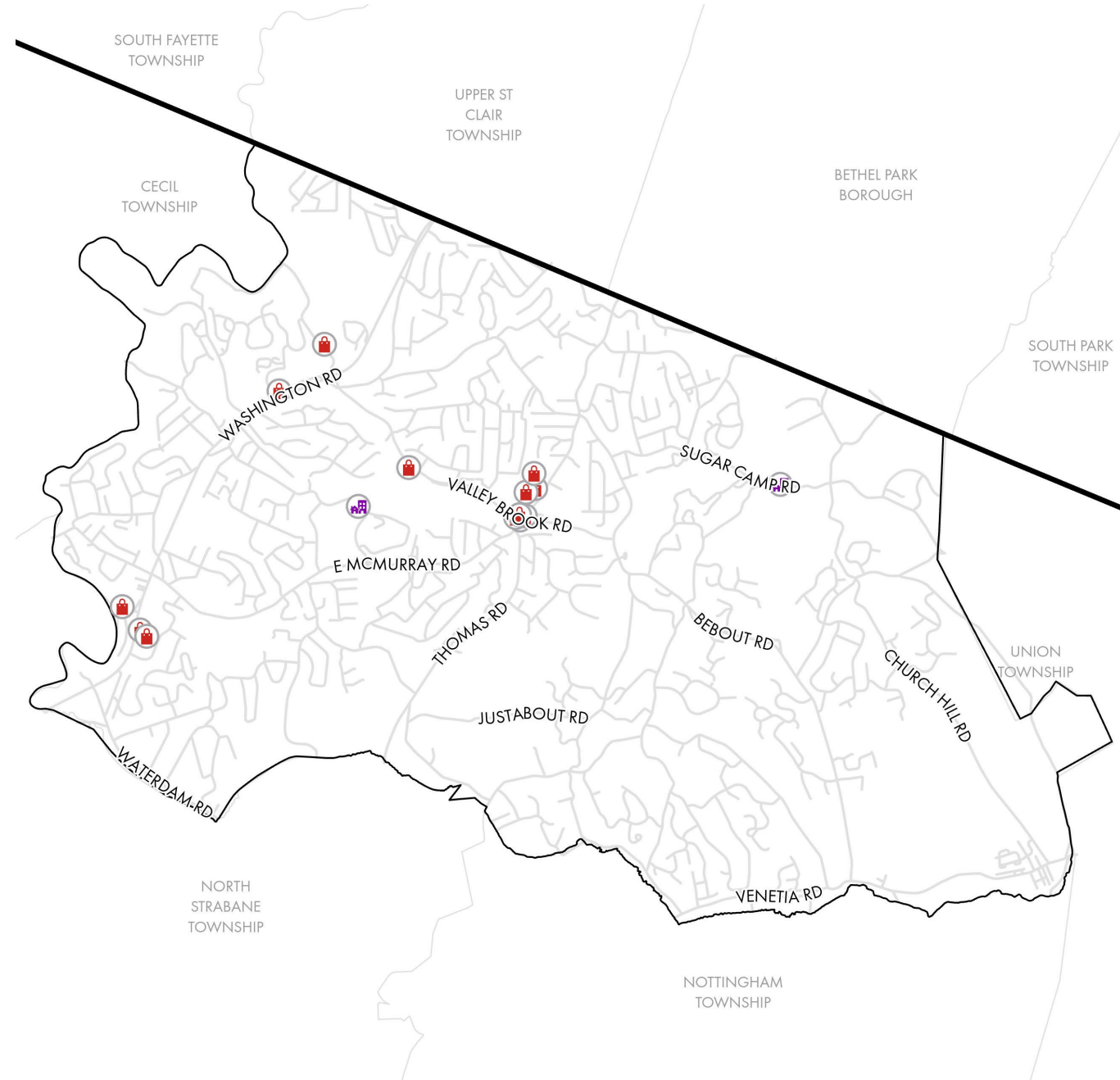
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MAPPING RESULTS HOUSING & OTHER

Key Findings:

- There is a need for managing weeds and overgrown lawns
- Consider rezoning select areas to be single-family housing only and do not permit future multi-family housing development
- Complaints about speeding, need for speed bumps, and traffic safety
- Mentions of inadequate cell service in the area
- Concerns about drainage and runoff during heavy rains
- Requests for road connections, driveway consolidation, and one-way traffic roads
- Issues with play areas, trash cans, landscaping, and picnic facilities
- Limited parking during sporting events and general congestion

MAPPING RESULTS COMMERCIAL



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Comment Category

-  General Commercial/Office
-  Mixed Use Area (Residential/Commercial)
-  Retail/Restaurants

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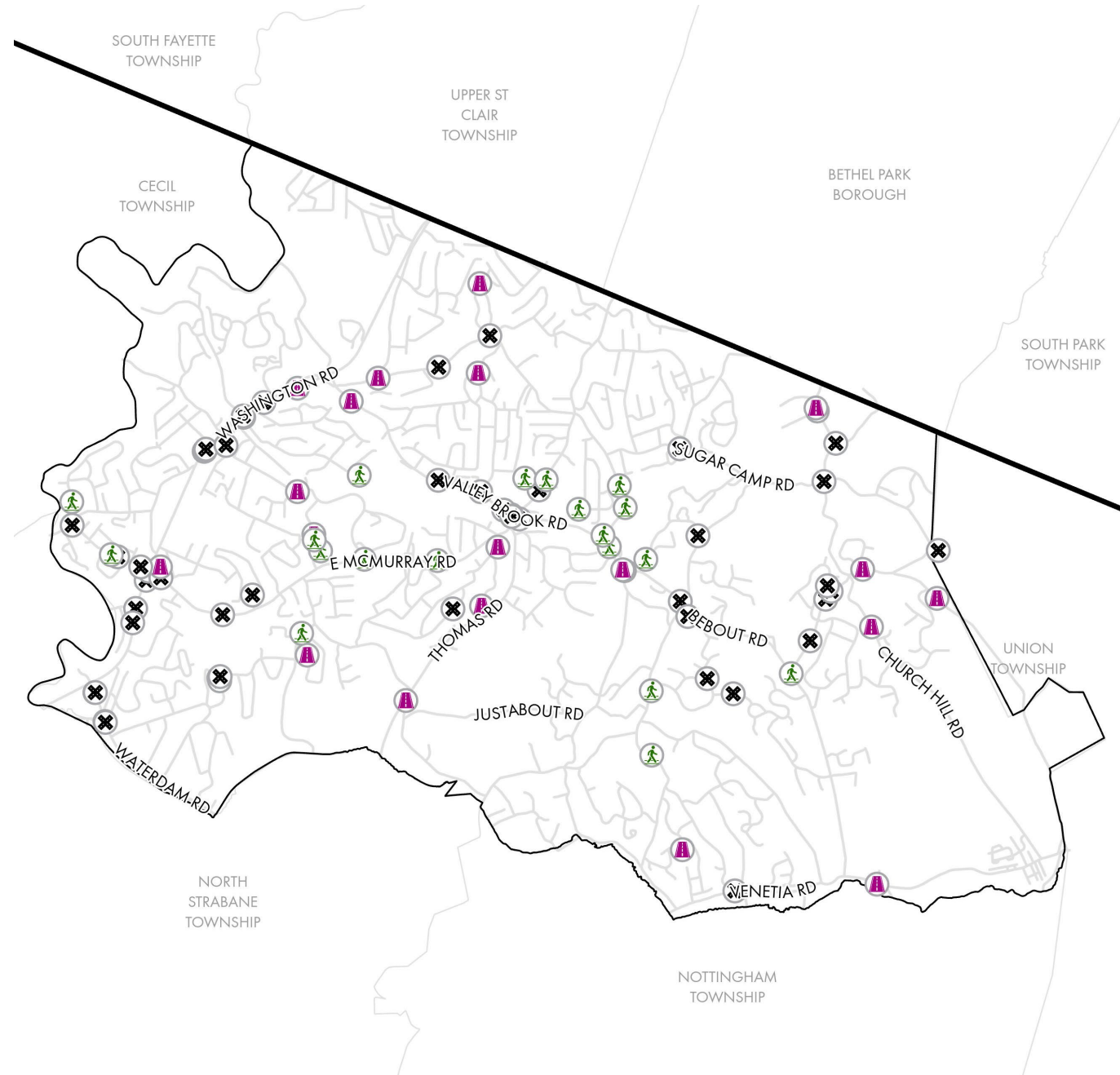
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MAPPING RESULTS COMMERCIAL

Key Findings:

- Address vacant or underutilized lots and support businesses that increase foot traffic
- Consider further mixed-use development in the municipal town center area, possibly similar to the Hastings neighborhood in South Fayette Township
- A desire for more diverse dining and shopping options, including outdoor venues and unique concepts
- Emphasis on creating a cohesive, walkable town center with trail access and architectural redesigns
- Interest in leveraging natural assets like lakes and parks for community use
- Suggestions to use zoning incentives to attract new businesses
- Ideas for underground parking and structural improvements tied to mine subsidence and walkways

MAPPING RESULTS TRANSPORTATION



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- Comment Category**
- Poor Road Conditions
 - Sidewalks
 - Problem Intersection

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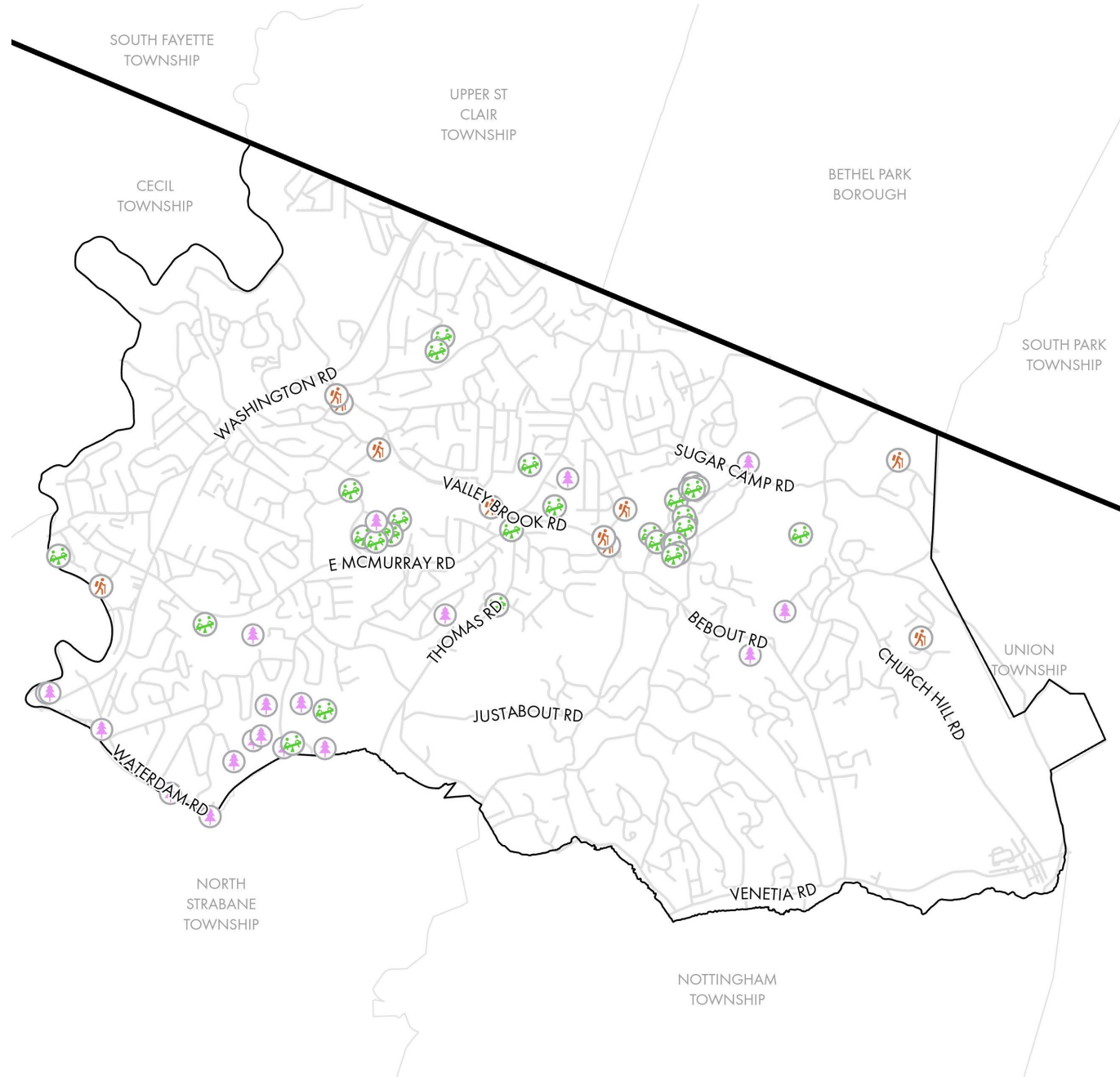
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MAPPING RESULTS TRANSPORTATION

Key Findings:

- Concern about deteriorated road surfaces, potholes, and unfinished topcoats
- Frequent speeding, lack of enforcement, and pedestrian safety issues
- Erosion and drainage problems due to poor water management
- Heavy traffic congestion during peak hours, especially near commercial areas
- Requests for speed humps and stop signs
- Poor turning conditions and suggestions for roundabouts
- Obstructed views due to overgrown vegetation and blind spots
- Interest in expanding and linking sidewalks to schools, parks, and neighborhoods
- Concerns about traffic, blind curves, and safe walking routes for children

MAPPING RESULTS OPEN SPACE



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Comment Category

- Nature Preservation
- Parks/Recreation Improvements
- Trail Access Point

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MAPPING RESULTS OPEN SPACE

Key Findings:

- Desire for safer and more direct pedestrian connections to the Montour Trail
- Requests for swings, zip lines, shaded areas, and inclusive equipment like wheelchair swings
- Comments on turf field upgrades, lighting, and support for youth sports
- Need for sidewalks and better pedestrian access to and within parks
- Suggestions to convert underused areas into dog parks or preserve open space
- Strong support for preserving natural areas, maintaining agricultural land, and expanding Peters Lake Park
- Resistance to new housing projects and urban expansion near Peters Lake
- Suggestions for adding trails, kayak/SUP launches, and scout cabins

SURVEY TAKEAWAYS

Key Findings:

- Over 99% of respondents stated they were residents of the Township.
- 18.8% of respondents stated they either worked or owned a business in the Township.
- Most respondents stated they were in the age range of 46-64, followed by 27-45 and 65+, respectively.
- The majority of respondents stated they have lived in the Township for more than 15 years.

SURVEY TAKEAWAYS

Key Findings:

- The majority of respondents receive Township news from IN Peters magazine, followed by Township social media and the Township website, respectively.
 - When asked which social media is most effective, respondents indicated email and Facebook were most effective.
- The top three reasons for residing in Peters were schools, taxes, and quality of life.
- Based on weighted averages, emergency services, low taxes, quality of infrastructure, and a good school district were considered the most important aspects of the community.
 - Housing preferences, natural environment, and community amenities were also mentioned as important aspects in the “other” portion.

SURVEY TAKEAWAYS

Key Findings:

- More than 78% of respondents indicated they were “very satisfied” or “satisfied” with Peters Township.
 - Respondents who indicated “neutral”, “dissatisfied”, or “very dissatisfied”, overdevelopment and traffic issues were the most mentioned reasons why.
- 49% of respondents indicated they felt the variety of housing would meet their needs at retirement, 22.7% had no opinion, and 28.2% indicated it would not meet their needs.
- Respondents indicated they would like to see more neighborhood cafes or delis, upscale restaurants, and mid-sized specialty stores in the Township.
 - Respondents also indicated they would like to see less fast-food restaurants and large stores.
- The majority of respondents indicated they would like to see more development of single-family homes on ½ acre - 1 acre lots.

SURVEY TAKEAWAYS

Key Findings:

- When asked about major transportation issues, respondents indicated excessive back ups at signals and traffic congestion around schools during arrival/dismissal times were the largest problems.
 - For respondents who indicated “neutral”, “dissatisfied”, or “very dissatisfied”, overdevelopment and traffic issues were the most mentioned reasons why.
- Respondents indicated fire and police services were the highest quality services in the Township.
- The majority of respondents indicated they use the parks very often (several times per week)
 - Respondents mentioned Peterswood Park and Montour Trail as the most used parks.
- One third of respondents indicated they use the library often (once per week) or very often (several times per week).
 - The most answered response for why respondents use the library was “to borrow materials”.

SURVEY TAKEAWAYS

Key Findings:

- Based on weighted averages, respondents indicated retention of agricultural/green spaces should be the most important issue to Township government, officials, and staff.
 - Managing growth and development was also largely mentioned in the “other” category.
- When asked about their “Wish List” items, respondents indicated transportation and road infrastructure, safety, and connectivity; preservation and rural character; and community recreation facilities and programming were mentioned the most.
- When asked for any additional comments, respondents mention preservation the most.
 - This category included preserving green space, parks, farms, and rural charm and stopping development- overcrowded/overdevelopment.