



# **RESPITE CENTER COMMUNITY MEETING**

**Saturday, March 2, 2025  
4 PM – 6:30 PM**

# Welcome

## Why we have joined today

Provide a **forum for community members and city leadership to engage with each other and identify ideas and solutions** to address impacts to the neighborhood residents and businesses related to the Respite Center, promoting a safer and more harmonious environment for everyone who lives and works in the area.

## What we hope to accomplish together

- ✓ **RELATIONSHIPS:** Begin to build and restore relationships, starting with an acknowledgement from City staff about prior lack of communication and transparency.
- ✓ **GOVERNING POLICIES:** Gain clarity on City policy related to the respite center.
- ✓ **IMPACTS:** Gain a shared understanding of community impacts related to the Respite Center (validate and expand on recent survey results).
- ✓ **SOLUTIONS:** Create a summary document that lists specific ideas and actions, generated by the community, with a goal to promote accountability, transparency, and equity and share with the public and City Council.

The meeting is intended to be a forward-looking discussion that builds on community input



# *Meeting* Agenda

4 – 4:30 PM


## Informal Community Gathering

### **4:30PM – 5:25PM Information Sharing and Discussion**

- Welcome, intention setting and review of agenda and principles for engagement
- Respite Center history and acknowledgement
- Review of survey results and discussion

## Transition Time

### **5:30 PM – 6:30PM Developing Solutions**

- Working session in small groups to identify improvement opportunities
  - Report outs from working session
  - Next steps and closing thoughts
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# *Engagement Principles*



## **SHARED LEARNING**

Be open minded and curious about different perspectives, experiences and understandings to fully understand the issues that we are discussing. Be concise and allow others a chance to share as well.

## **FORWARD THINKING**


Learn from the past and identify opportunities to move forward with improved outcomes.

## **CIVILITY, DIGNITY & RESPECT**

We are coming together as one community, working together to support each other.

## **SAFE SPACE**

This is a safe space and we realize that people are vulnerable and concerned about how information is shared.





# Respite Center Information and Acknowledgement

Kelly, Donna and Gloria

# Community Experience Response Results



Kelly and Jenny

Davis Manor | Huntwood |  
DaVinci | Old East Davis

# Response Introduction



## LOCATION

Focused on the neighbors and businesses impacted by the Respite Center

## JANUARY 2025

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
29	30	31	1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
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## TIMEFRAME

Open from January 3-31. The Huntwood/Da Vinci survey was open until Feb. 5 to allow time for DaVinci families to participate



## PURPOSE

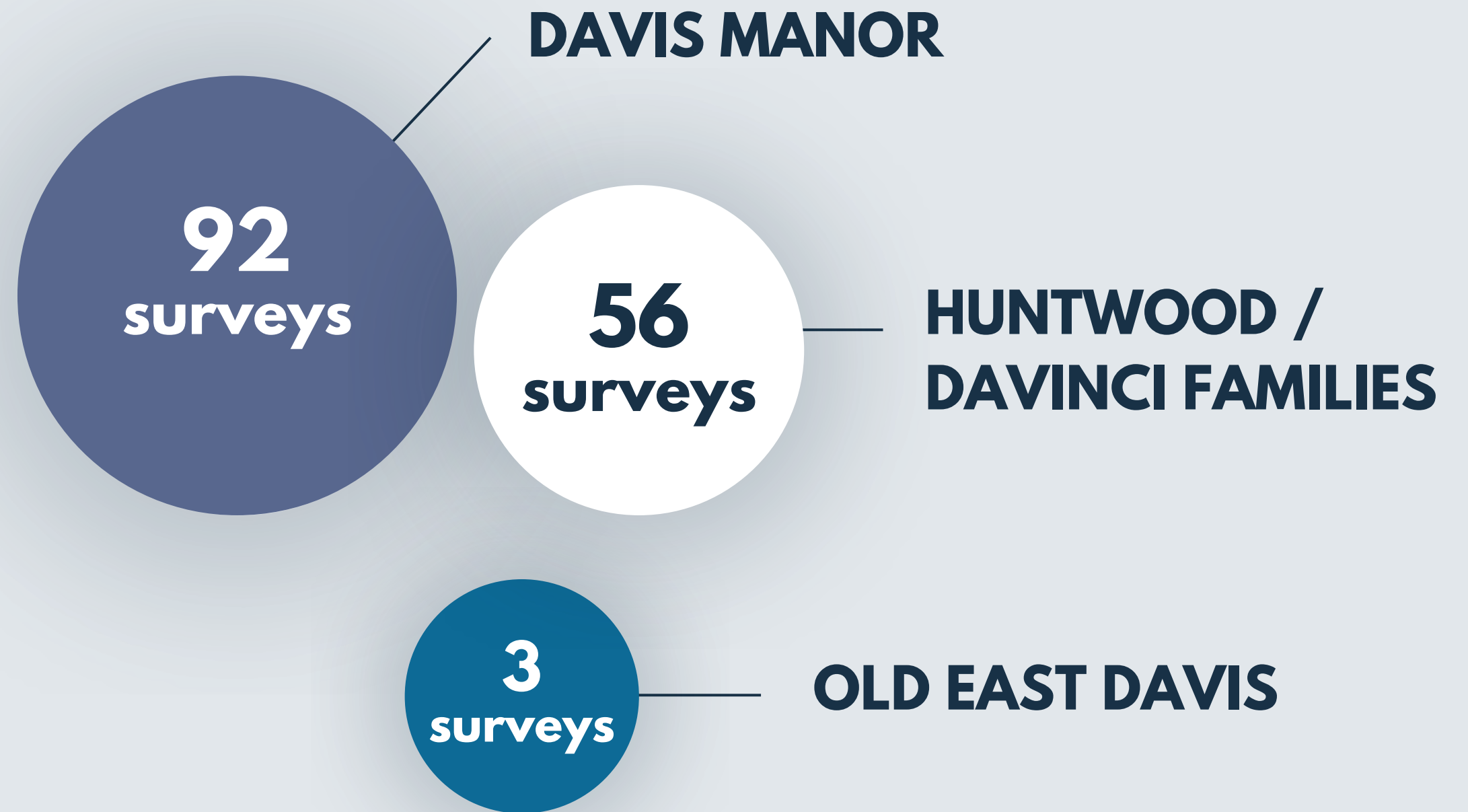
To hear from residents and businesses on their experiences related to the unsheltered at the Respite Center and inform in-person meeting

# Statistics

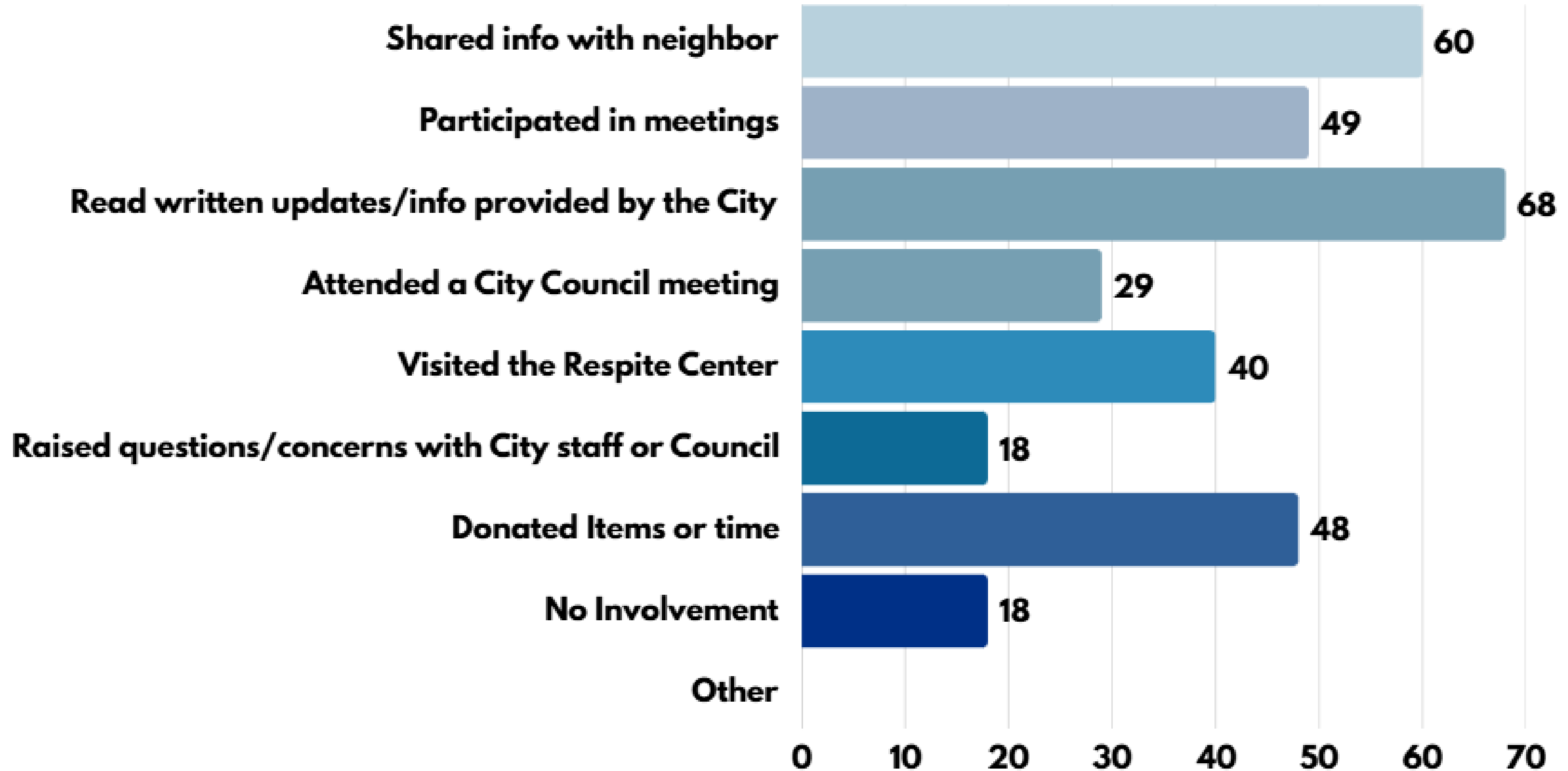
## 151 TOTAL RESPONSES

### STREETS

N Street:	18 surveys
J Street:	18 surveys
Duke:	16 surveys
M Street:	16 surveys
8th Street:	13 surveys
5th Street:	11 surveys
Colgate:	10 surveys



# *What has been your involvement with the Respite Center?*



# Since the start of the Respite Center, have you noticed changes with the following in the neighborhood?

Number of people who responded (151) that saw a **SLIGHT** or **SIGNIFICANT** increase in...



Unhoused individuals



Trash or Littering



Yelling, screaming or violent language



General safety



Encampments / Overnight camping



People living in parked cars



Public urination or defecation



Unhoused individuals approaching for food, water, etc.



Noise



Crimes or Theft



Vandalism

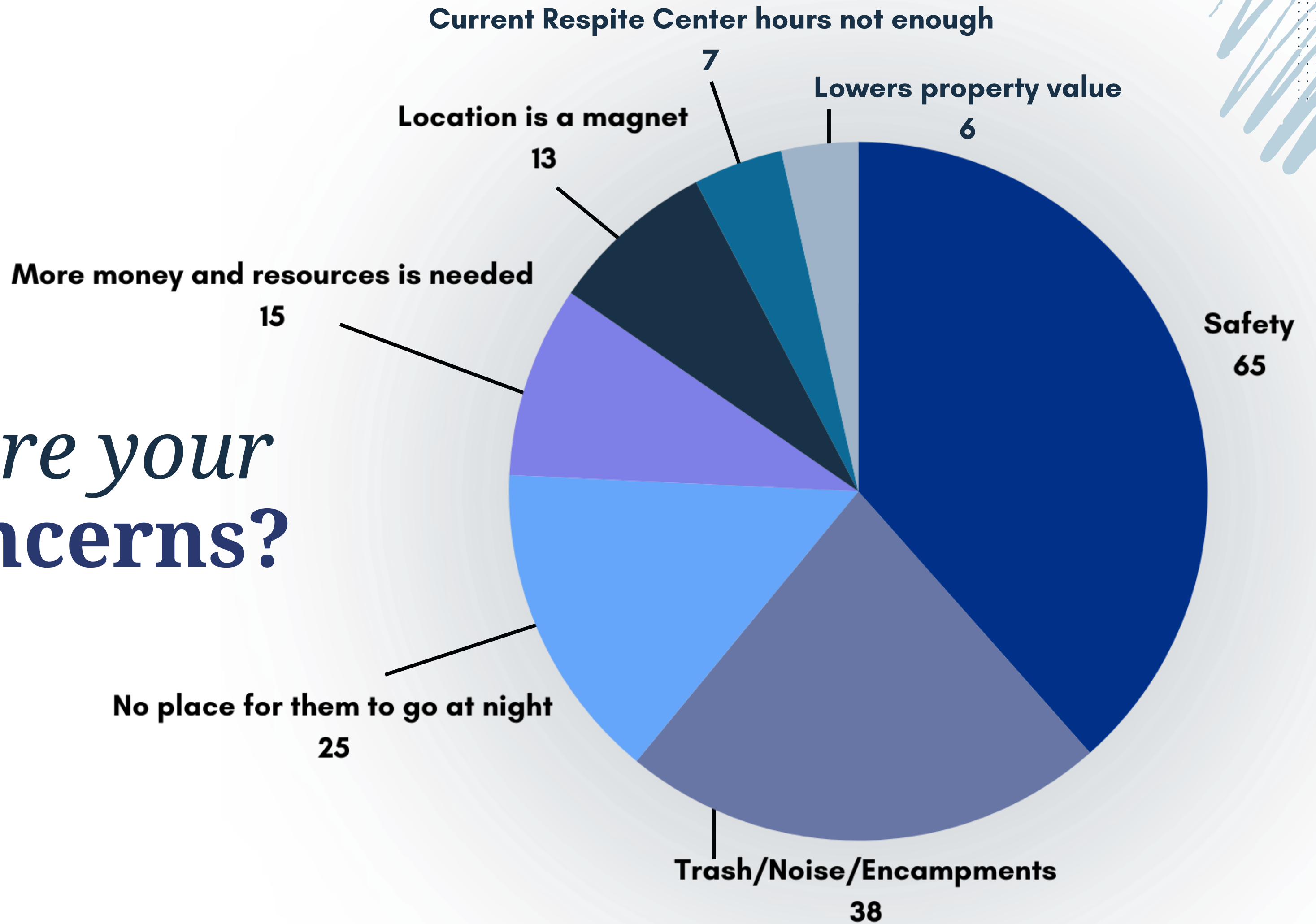


Damage to private property

Under "Other" there were 47 responses, of which the top 3 were: (10) impact to retail centers/church, (8) people roaming and (3) loitering



# *What are your top concerns?*



# What ideas would you suggest to address concerns?



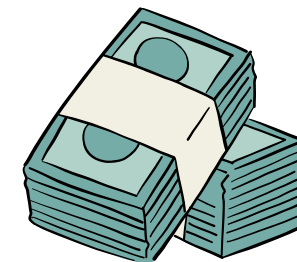
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Move or remove  
Respite Center



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More police  
patrols or  
enforcement



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More money,  
resources,  
staff, etc.



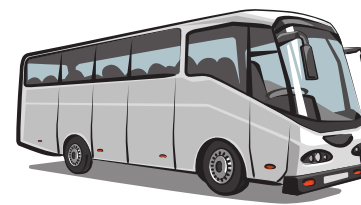
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Don't  
know



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More  
overnight  
options



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Need  
transportation  
to housing



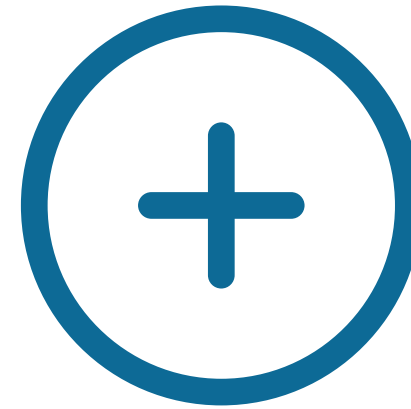
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More updates  
or info from  
the City

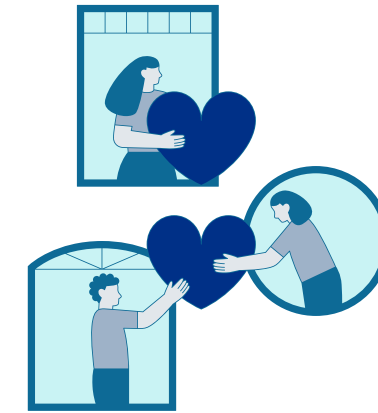
# *Final Thoughts*



People are genuinely worried about the safety of themselves, their family, local businesses and the community



More needs to be done regarding assistance to the homeless




More needs to be done to support the community and those impacted

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Thank you to everyone who took the survey!

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# *Community* Reflections

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**We want  
to hear  
from you**

**How well do the survey results  
reflect your experience?**

**What is missing?**

**What do you think is most  
important?**





# Working Session Identifying Improvement Opportunities

Community Discussion

# Working Session Instructions



**What can we do to improve and address the issues in the neighborhood as identified in the survey?**

Please join the community members and city representatives at your table for discussion -

- ✓ Each table has a Table Host who will help track the ideas that you discuss on a provided template
- ✓ You can also use comment cards to share additional ideas

## Our Conversation

- Go around the table and share ONE IDEA – what issue(s) does it address and why do you think this will be effective?
- Others around the table are invited to expand on the idea.
- Please be mindful of time; make sure everyone has a chance to share.

## Report Out

- Following the conversation, each table will get to share one idea that was discussed.
- We will collect all suggestions into a summary that will be shared with the community and City Council.

Innovative, provide multi-benefits, resources conscious, advance and promote communications and transparency, equity, inclusivity, and accountability



# Working Session Report Out

Community Sharing



# Next Steps and Closing Thoughts

Jenny | Team

Thank you for joining us today!