

## Survey

### Plainfield Community Survey

The Village of Plainfield is asking its residents to help develop a comprehensive plan for growth and development of our community. Your opinion counts. Please complete and return this survey by April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2001. When finished, please fold the survey so that the return address shows and tape closed. **Thank you for your help.**

#### Regarding General Development

1. Which statement best describes the kind of community you would like the Village of Plainfield to become? (Check only one)

8.4%	A residential community with minimal retail businesses
40.0%	A residential community with some retail and office development.
30.9%	A residential community with a lot of retail, some office development and some industry
10.7%	A community with a lot of retail, office development and industry.
8.6%	Other (Be specific)

2. Mark the response that best describes your opinion:

	Strongly Agree	Somewhat Agree	Somewhat Disagree	Strongly Disagree	No Opinion
Plainfield should actively promote downtown expansion west of the Du Page River in a traditional mixed-use style.	31.0%	41.4%	15.9%	11.7%	7.6%
I would support an increase of \$25 per year in property taxes to acquire additional open space.	30.4%	30.4%	11.9%	27.3%	6.6%
The Village of Plainfield should actively pursue annexation of properties to control development.	44.7%	38.1%	10.9%	6.3%	6.8%
The Village of Plainfield should negotiate boundary agreements with neighboring communities.	51.2%	30.3%	9.6%	8.8%	6.3%
The Village of Plainfield should not be concerned with development in neighboring communities.	13.7%	14.2%	18.8%	53.3%	4.7%

3. Mark the response that best describes your opinion of these Plainfield area transportation projects.

	Very Unimportant	Somewhat Unimportant	Somewhat Important	Very Important	No Opinion
Extend Steiner Road to enhance north/south travel	6.1%	15.2%	40.9%	37.7%	38.2%
Expand the I-55/Route 126 intersection to a full interchange	9.9%	17.5%	27.7%	44.8%	9.1%
Provide commuter rail service with a station in Plainfield	8.7%	15.9%	30.2%	45.2%	6.1%
Implement a bike trail system	8.2%	20.6%	34.5%	36.7%	6.9%
Provide bus service	17.5%	26.8%	34.5%	21.1%	11.3%
Develop the WIKADUKE Trail in Kendall County as a north-south alternative to Route 59	7.4%	14.9%	38.0%	39.6%	14.7%
Improve Van Dyke Road	3.8%	15.8%	40.5%	39.9%	12.9%
Other? _____	1.5%	4.8%	22.1%	69.7%	85.9%

4. Mark the response that best describes your opinion of the priority you feel the Village of Plainfield should place on planning for future development/redevelopment of these areas.

	Low Priority	Medium Priority	Top Priority	No Opinion
Downtown	19.8%	40.1%	39.8%	6.5%
Western growth area (Area 4 on back page)	28.2%	42.0%	29.7%	10.5%
Route 59 corridor (Area 1 on back page)	16.9%	32.7%	49.6%	7.6%
South growth area (Area 2 or 3 on back page)	34.5%	43.4%	22.0%	10.0%
Existing residential neighborhoods	27.6%	32.0%	38.7%	10.6%

5. Rate the following community services as E (Excellent), G (Good), F (fair), P (poor), or N (no experience):

	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent	No Opinion
Police protection	1.9%	12.4%	46.3%	39.3%	11.9%
Fire/ambulance service	0.6%	11.8%	43.7%	43.9%	31.4%
Water supply	22.3%	31.2%	34.3%	12.2%	6.6%
Schools	6.8%	22.2%	48.3%	22.5%	21.9%
Library facilities	7.5%	19.2%	50.3%	23.0%	19.8%
Sidewalk maintenance	16.0%	30.3%	46.2%	7.5%	23.5%
Senior services	28.1%	36.3%	32.6%	2.7%	65.3%
Park maintenance	8.0%	23.6%	52.3%	16.1%	19.6%
Street lighting	9.8%	26.4%	51.3%	12.5%	4.6%
Street maintenance	17.9%	34.2%	39.7%	8.2%	4.1%
Garbage and Yard	5.0%	20.8%	52.4%	21.8%	6.4%
Waste services					

6. Please comment on any of the above services and what kind of improvement, if any, is needed.

7. How do you rate the overall quality of life in Plainfield?

20.6% Excellent      60.6% Good      18.1% Fair      0.7% Poor

8. When you think of open space in Plainfield, what comes to mind? (Check up to 3 responses)

Farm fields	60.4%
Forest preserves	53.1%
Active public parks	47.1%
Trails/greenways	40.6%
Private clubs and golf courses	11.2%
Space between homes	33.1%
Stormwater management areas	11.1%
Other (please specify)	1.9%

9. How many times in the last year did you access the Village of Plainfield web site (plainfield-il.org)?

60.8% Never    31.1% 1 - 5 times    0.1% 6 - 12 times    0.3% 13 or more times

**Regarding Commercial and Business Development**

10. In an average month, how many times do you shop in these commercial areas?

Downtown – Plainfield	3.1
Louis Joliet Mall area	4.4
Caton Farm & Route 59	4.6
Other shopping areas in Plainfield	2.8
Fox Valley Mall area	2.9
Other (please specify)	3.9

11. In an average week, how much would you estimate that your current household spends on eating away from home (restaurants, take-out, etc.)?

21.2% Less than \$25    34.3% \$25 - \$49    40.3% \$50 - \$199    3.9% Over \$175

12. Using the following numeric scale, rate your overall satisfaction with these factors as they apply to Downtown Plainfield:

	very satisfied	somewhat satisfied	somewhat dissatisfied	very dissatisfied	No opinion
Attractiveness	19.1%	51.7%	22.6%	6.6%	6.0%
Convenience	18.1%	43.4%	28.6%	10.0%	7.2%
Automobile parking	12.5%	41.9%	31.1%	14.5%	6.1%
Hours	13.2%	50.1%	28.2%	8.5%	9.1%
Merchandise selection	5.7%	36.7%	38.7%	18.9%	9.7%
Merchandise price	8.3%	57.2%	26.3%	8.2%	11.6%
Customer service	28.9%	51.4%	13.4%	6.2%	10.5%
General safety	32.6%	45.1%	13.3%	8.9%	9.4%
Pedestrian safety	22.1%	43.4%	19.8%	14.7%	8.5%

13. When is it most convenient for you to shop? (Check only one)

Daytime (10AM – 5PM)	28.6%
Evening (after 5PM)	29.5%
Saturday	35.0%
Sunday	8.9%

14. Please comment on any ideas you have for the commercial development of Plainfield.

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What is your annual household income? Average \$93.6

Less than \$30,000	4.6%
\$30,000 - \$59,999	14.1%
\$60,000 - \$89,999	32.8%
\$90,000 - \$119,999	25.3%
\$120,000 - \$149,999	11.8%
More than \$150,000	11.0%

In what community do you work?

Plainfield	18.2%
Joliet	10.3%
Bolingbrook	8.8%
Naperville	12.0%
Oak Brook/ I-88 Corridor	9.3%
Chicago	16.3%
Other	17.9%

How do you most often travel to work?

Automobile	75.7%
Bus	0.0%
Walk/Bike	0.7%
Combination Automobile and Train or Bus	4.7%
Work from home	4.1%
Retired	9.6%
I do not work outside of the home	2.2%

Referring to this map, enter the number indicating where you live.

1	44.9%
2	22.2%
3	8.7%
4	24.2%

