



2008 COMMUNITY SURVEY

1. WHICH AREA OF THE CITY DO YOU LIVE AND/OR OWN PROPERTY? (PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

<input type="checkbox"/> 1 st Street-13 th Street	117	24.89%	84	22.28%	-2.61%
<input type="checkbox"/> 14 th St.-26 th Street	241	51.28%	206	54.64%	3.37%
<input type="checkbox"/> 27 th St.-41 st Street	69	14.68%	58	15.38%	0.70%
<input type="checkbox"/> Other or outlying area.	43	9.15%	29	7.69%	-1.46%
<i>Response</i>	470		377		

2. How long have you live or owned property in the City of Buena Vista?

<input type="checkbox"/> Less than one year	12	2.63%	6	1.60%	-1.02%
<input type="checkbox"/> 1-2 years	30	6.56%	21	5.61%	-0.95%
<input type="checkbox"/> 3-5 years	39	8.53%	65	17.38%	8.85%
<input type="checkbox"/> 6-10 years	37	8.10%	46	12.30%	4.20%
<input type="checkbox"/> 11-20 years	66	14.44%	44	11.76%	-2.68%
<input type="checkbox"/> 21+ years	273	59.74%	192	51.34%	-8.40%
<i>Response</i>	457		374		

3. Why do you live in Buena Vista?

<input type="checkbox"/> I was born here	199	13.13%	138	10.94%	-2.18%
<input type="checkbox"/> To be with family/spouse/friends	197	12.99%	173	13.72%	0.72%
<input type="checkbox"/> Employment opportunity	99	6.53%	100	7.93%	1.40%
<input type="checkbox"/> For recreational amenities	21	1.39%	14	1.11%	-0.27%
<input type="checkbox"/> Came here looking for a place to retire	27	1.78%	26	2.06%	0.28%
<input type="checkbox"/> More affordable than other communities	64	4.22%	45	3.57%	-0.65%
<input type="checkbox"/> Safe community	173	11.41%	139	11.02%	-0.39%
<input type="checkbox"/> Good place to raise kids	156	10.29%	117	9.28%	-1.01%
<input type="checkbox"/> Climate/seasons	73	4.82%	66	5.23%	0.42%
<input type="checkbox"/> Scenery	113	7.45%	115	9.12%	1.67%
<input type="checkbox"/> Small town atmosphere	215	14.18%	190	15.07%	0.89%
<input type="checkbox"/> Proximity to larger communities	39	2.57%	29	2.30%	-0.27%
<input type="checkbox"/> Friendliness	140	9.23%	109	8.64%	-0.59%
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____					
<i>Response</i>	1516		1261		

4. What are the most important issues that will be facing the City of Buena Vista in the next five years?

<input type="checkbox"/> Affordable housing	144	10.98%	107	9.77%	-1.21%
<input type="checkbox"/> Viability of core business area	166	12.66%	130	11.87%	-0.79%
<input type="checkbox"/> Child care/youth programs	40	3.05%	20	1.83%	-1.22%
<input type="checkbox"/> Growth of Southern Virginia University	112	8.54%	68	6.21%	-2.33%
<input type="checkbox"/> Preservation of small town character	99	7.55%	53	4.84%	-2.71%
<input type="checkbox"/> Parking (Debt Service, 2008)	12	0.92%	145	13.24%	Debt Service i
<input type="checkbox"/> Tax Rates	328	25.02%	263	24.02%	-1.00%
<input type="checkbox"/> Public schools	108	8.24%	89	8.13%	-0.11%
<input type="checkbox"/> Employment opportunities	270	20.59%	206	18.81%	-1.78%
<input type="checkbox"/> Government services	32	2.44%	14	1.28%	-1.16%
<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____					
<i>Response</i>	1311		1095		

5. In what recreational activities/areas do members of your household participate?

<input type="checkbox"/> Playgrounds	134	7.18%	132	8.81%	1.62%
<input type="checkbox"/> Picnic Areas	181	9.70%	145	9.67%	-0.03%
<input type="checkbox"/> Walking/Jogging	263	14.09%	221	14.74%	0.65%
<input type="checkbox"/> Mountain Biking	11	0.59%	11	0.73%	0.14%
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Cycling	23	1.23%	21	1.40%	0.17%
<input type="checkbox"/> Skateboarding	23	1.23%	30	2.00%	0.77%
<input type="checkbox"/> Baseball	50	2.68%	43	2.87%	0.19%
<input type="checkbox"/> Tennis	40	2.14%	29	1.93%	-0.21%
<input type="checkbox"/> Glen Maury Park	323	17.31%	257	17.14%	-0.16%
<input type="checkbox"/> Fishing	151	8.09%	109	7.27%	-0.82%
<input type="checkbox"/> Hunting	103	5.52%	53	3.54%	-1.98%
<input type="checkbox"/> Soccer	42	2.25%	24	1.60%	-0.65%
<input type="checkbox"/> Raft/Kayak/Canoe	26	1.39%	16	1.07%	-0.33%
<input type="checkbox"/> Hiking	51	2.73%	51	3.40%	0.67%
<input type="checkbox"/> Golf	94	5.04%	70	4.67%	-0.37%
<input type="checkbox"/> Football	76	4.07%	61	4.07%	0.00%
<input type="checkbox"/> Scenic Drives	203	10.88%	155	10.34%	-0.54%
<input type="checkbox"/> Camping	72	3.86%	71	4.74%	0.88%
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:					
<i>Response</i>	<i>1866</i>		<i>1499</i>		

Please let the City of Buena Vista know how important the following issues are to you:

	2007	2008	% Change
6. Economic Development	4.36	4.39	1%
7. Affordable Housing	4.08	4.08	0%
8. Parks & Trails	3.27	3.42	4%
9. Open Space Areas	3.1	3.16	2%
10. Sense of Community	3.9	3.87	-1%
11. Parking	2.95	3.05	3%
12. Traffic Flow	3.22	3.16	-2%
13. City Services	4.17	3.92	-6%
14. Education K-12	4.19	4.22	1%
15. Higher Education	3.83	3.84	0%
16. Scenic/Visual Quality	3.84	3.81	-1%
17. Arts & Culture	3.1	3.12	1%
18. Appearance of City	4.25	4.12	-3%
19. Shopping Opportunities	4.06	4.07	0%
20. Job Opportunities	4.44	4.38	-1%
21. Public Safety	4.45	4.42	-1%

Please rate the City's performance on:

22. Programs for Youth	2.83	100%
23. Special Events	3.22	100%
24. Crime Prevention	3.81	100%
25. Animal Control	3.38	100%
26. City Staff	3.31	100%
27. Attracting & Retaining Business & Industry	2.22	100%
28. Handling Citizen Complaints	2.77	100%
29. City Council	2.69	100%
30. Communication with Citizens	2.68	100%
31. Police Visibility & Response Time	3.7	100%
32. Neighborhood Road Maintenance	2.93	100%
33. Street & Sidewalk Maintenance	2.99	100%
34. Snow Removal	3.48	100%
35. Public Landscaping	3.05	100%
36. Available Parking	3.58	100%
37. Park & Trail Maintenance	3.3	100%
38. Historic Preservation	2.88	100%
39. Recreation Programs	3.06	100%
40. Recreation Facilities	3.03	100%
41. Building Permits & Inspections	2.97	100%
42. Code Enforcement	2.91	100%
43. Planning and Zoning	2.82	100%

44. Imagine you are in charge of allocating resources for City projects and services. With a \$100 to budget, how would you divide the money among the following?

Administrative Services	\$ 7.04	\$ 8.69	19%
Economic Development	\$ 13.88	\$ 18.40	25%
Fire & Rescue	\$ 13.38	\$ 15.78	15%
K-12 Education	\$ 19.65	\$ 22.21	12%
Law Enforcement	\$ 13.32	\$ 15.30	13%
Parks & Recreation	\$ 8.51	\$ 10.26	17%
Public Works (Roads, Trash, Sidewalks)	\$ 14.05	\$ 14.05	0%
Water & Sewer	\$ 12.51	\$ 13.62	8%
	\$ 102.34	\$ 118.31	

45. Please indicate your preferred growth strategy for the City from the choice below.

Zero growth	8	1.93%	8	2.27%	0.34%
Less growth than present	19	4.59%	16	4.55%	-0.04%
About the same rate of growth as present	88	21.26%	77	21.88%	0.62%
More growth, but with some controls	278	67.15%	228	64.77%	-2.38%
No growth controls	21	5.07%	23	6.53%	1.46%
Other: _____					
<i>Response</i>	<i>414</i>		<i>352</i>		

46. Which statement best represents your opinion on regulation of growth in Buena Vista?

The City should be more involved in regulating the type of development	159	35.97%	97	26.65%	-9.32%
The City should be less involved in regulating the type of development	59	13.35%	70	19.23%	5.88%
The City should continue to be involved with regulation at about the same level	130	29.41%	106	29.12%	-0.29%
Don't know/No opinion	94	21.27%	91	25.00%	3.73%
<i>Response</i>	442		364		

47. Listed below are some suggestions for City Improvements, Recognizing that the City budget is limited, please rate to what extent you support or oppose using resources on the following:

Improvements Downtown (sidewalks, landscaping, etc.)	3.42	3.18	-8%
Capital Improvement Projects (sewer plant, regional jail, etc)	3.41	3.27	-4%
Maintenance of City Facilities	3.43	3.41	-1%
Support Economic Development	3.98	4.04	1%
Recreation Areas (Glen Maury Park, Vista Links)	3.34	3.4	2%

48. Overall, in the last five years, Buena Vista has:

Improved	133	38.11%
Declined	130	37.25%
Stayed the Same	86	24.64%
<i>Response</i>	349	

49. What types of businesses do you frequent monthly or more in Buena Vista?

<input type="checkbox"/> Accommodations (Motel, Camping, B&B)	13	2.77%	5	1.33%	-1.44%
<input type="checkbox"/> Advertising/Promotional Items	12	2.55%	10	2.65%	0.10%
<input type="checkbox"/> Artists-Framing-Visual Arts	25	5.32%	10	2.65%	-2.67%
<input type="checkbox"/> Attorneys/Legal Services	16	3.40%	15	3.98%	0.57%
<input type="checkbox"/> Automotive-Parts	149	31.70%	121	32.10%	0.39%
<input type="checkbox"/> Automotive-Repair	141	30.00%	113	29.97%	-0.03%
<input type="checkbox"/> Automotive-Sales	21	4.47%	8	2.12%	-2.35%
<input type="checkbox"/> Banks/Lenders	324	68.94%	263	69.76%	0.83%
<input type="checkbox"/> Beauty/Barbers/Tanning	211	44.89%	165	43.77%	-1.13%
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Services	41	8.72%	33	8.75%	0.03%
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Contractors	14	2.98%	16	4.24%	1.27%
<input type="checkbox"/> Child Care	20	4.26%	6	1.59%	-2.66%
<input type="checkbox"/> Computers	25	5.32%	12	3.18%	-2.14%
<input type="checkbox"/> Education	93	19.79%	73	19.36%	-0.42%
<input type="checkbox"/> Employment	70	14.89%	58	15.38%	0.49%
<input type="checkbox"/> Engineering/Surveying	3	0.64%	1	0.27%	-0.37%
<input type="checkbox"/> Equipment Sales & Rentals	11	2.34%	4	1.06%	-1.28%
<input type="checkbox"/> Florists	129	27.45%	92	24.40%	-3.04%
<input type="checkbox"/> Funeral/Cemeteries/Memorials	62	13.19%	47	12.47%	-0.72%
<input type="checkbox"/> Grocery	354	75.32%	278	73.74%	-1.58%
<input type="checkbox"/> Gift Shop/Antiques/Crafts	40	8.51%	31	8.22%	-0.29%
<input type="checkbox"/> Health Care	104	22.13%	68	18.04%	-4.09%
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Improvement	125	26.60%	74	19.63%	-6.97%
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Furnishings & Repair	43	9.15%	21	5.57%	-3.58%
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Rentals	18	3.83%	21	5.57%	1.74%
<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	108	22.98%	88	23.34%	0.36%
<input type="checkbox"/> Landscaping	20	4.26%	13	3.45%	-0.81%
<input type="checkbox"/> Manufacturing	22	4.68%	15	3.98%	-0.70%
<input type="checkbox"/> Movies	113	24.04%	81	21.49%	-2.56%
<input type="checkbox"/> Moving/Storage	10	2.13%	8	2.12%	-0.01%
<input type="checkbox"/> Office Equipment and Supplies	8	1.70%	4	1.06%	-0.64%
<input type="checkbox"/> Gas Stations/ Convenience Store	377	80.21%	314	83.29%	3.08%
<input type="checkbox"/> Pet Care/Veterinary	65	13.83%	46	12.20%	-1.63%
<input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy	261	55.53%	201	53.32%	-2.22%
<input type="checkbox"/> Printing/Publishing	20	4.26%	12	3.18%	-1.07%
<input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate & Title Agencies	10	2.13%	7	1.86%	-0.27%
<input type="checkbox"/> Restaurants	301	64.04%	235	62.33%	-1.71%
<input type="checkbox"/> Retail/Shopping	93	19.79%	50	13.26%	-6.52%
<input type="checkbox"/> Sports/Fitness	30	6.38%	46	12.20%	5.82%
<input type="checkbox"/> Taxes/Accountants	22	4.68%	15	3.98%	-0.70%
<input type="checkbox"/> Telecommunications	24	5.11%	20	5.31%	0.20%
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	13	2.77%	3	0.80%	-1.97%
<i>Response</i>	<i>3561</i>		<i>2703</i>		

50a. How often do you shop in Buena Vista?

<input type="checkbox"/> Daily	52	19.62%	36	11.76%	-7.86%
<input type="checkbox"/> Weekly	88	33.21%	145	47.39%	14.18%
<input type="checkbox"/> 1-3 Times per month	88	33.21%	92	30.07%	-3.14%
<input type="checkbox"/> Monthly	37	13.96%	33	10.78%	-3.18%
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:					
<i>Response</i>	<i>265</i>		<i>306</i>		

50. What type of business would you like to see open in Buena Vista?

<input type="checkbox"/> Accommodations (Motel, Camping, B&B)	85	18.09%	59	15.65%	-2.44%
<input type="checkbox"/> Advertising/Promotional Items	11	2.34%	7	1.86%	-0.48%
<input type="checkbox"/> Artists-Framing-Visual Arts	14	2.98%	11	2.92%	-0.06%
<input type="checkbox"/> Attorneys/Legal Services	20	4.26%	12	3.18%	-1.07%
<input type="checkbox"/> Automotive-Parts	20	4.26%	13	3.45%	-0.81%
<input type="checkbox"/> Automotive-Repair	24	5.11%	20	5.31%	0.20%
<input type="checkbox"/> Automotive-Sales	25	5.32%	22	5.84%	0.52%
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<input type="checkbox"/> Beauty/Barbers/Tanning	23	4.89%	19	5.04%	0.15%
<input type="checkbox"/> Business Services	31	6.60%	24	6.37%	-0.23%
<input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Contractors	31	6.60%	18	4.77%	-1.82%
<input type="checkbox"/> Child Care	82	17.45%	43	11.41%	-6.04%
<input type="checkbox"/> Computers	29	6.17%	42	11.14%	4.97%
<input type="checkbox"/> Education	68	14.47%	44	11.67%	-2.80%
<input type="checkbox"/> Employment	142	30.21%	114	30.24%	0.03%
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<input type="checkbox"/> Health Care	74	15.74%	56	14.85%	-0.89%
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Improvement	67	14.26%	50	13.26%	-0.99%
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Furnishings & Repair	47	10.00%	47	12.47%	2.47%
<input type="checkbox"/> Housing & Rentals	31	6.60%	16	4.24%	-2.35%
<input type="checkbox"/> Insurance	13	2.77%	12	3.18%	0.42%
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<input type="checkbox"/> Movies	42	8.94%	38	10.08%	1.14%
<input type="checkbox"/> Moving/Storage	17	3.62%	4	1.06%	-2.56%
<input type="checkbox"/> Office Equipment and Supplies	38	8.09%	26	6.90%	-1.19%
<input type="checkbox"/> Gas Stations/ Convenience Store	41	8.72%	40	10.61%	1.89%
<input type="checkbox"/> Pet Care/Veterinary	21	4.47%	21	5.57%	1.10%
<input type="checkbox"/> Pharmacy	44	9.36%	34	9.02%	-0.34%
<input type="checkbox"/> Printing/Publishing	20	4.26%	11	2.92%	-1.34%
<input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate & Title Agencies	11	2.34%	8	2.12%	-0.22%
<input type="checkbox"/> Restaurants	242	51.49%	190	50.40%	-1.09%
<input type="checkbox"/> Retail/Shopping	240	51.06%	189	50.13%	-0.93%
<input type="checkbox"/> Sports/Fitness	94	20.00%	26	6.90%	-13.10%
<input type="checkbox"/> Taxes/Accountants	15	3.19%	9	2.39%	-0.80%
<input type="checkbox"/> Telecommunications	27	5.74%	21	5.57%	-0.17%
<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	63	13.40%	46	12.20%	-1.20%
<i>Reponse</i>	2474		1819		

51. Please list any specific businesses or business type that you would like to see open in Buena Vista:

Grocery Store (107)

Grocery Store, Grocery Store downtown, Ukrops, Supermarket – Martins, Krogers, Grocery Store Downtown, Large grocery store, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, Save Mart or Rock-n-Sack, Grocery Store, Grocery Stores (not convenience store), Food City , Grocery Store, A grocery store with frozen food section, Re: #50- We can wish for an in city grocery store but now doubt will never happen. Too many citizens like to shop out of town., Grocery, We need a grocery store, Grocery Store, Grocery, Save a Lot Grocery Store, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, Grocery, Grocery store not controlled by Wilfred or Skip Ramsey, Grocery Store, Downtown grocery, We need a grocery store here in B.V., Grocery Store, Grocery Store, Grocery, Another big grocery store like Sam's or Rack & Sack or a Kroger, Grocery Stores, Good Grocery, Grocery, Grocery, A grocery store, Grocery, Grocery store, Bulk food store (Dry goods) and discount food store, Grocery, Full line grocery, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, A large grocery store, grocery store, Grocery Stores, Grocery Store, Downtown food market – Galaxy, Grocery Stores, Grocery Stores - Save-a-Lot, Grocery Store Please!!, Grocery Store, Grocery/Health Food Store, Grocery Store, Downtown Super Market, Grocery, A grocery store in the downtown area, Another Grocery Store, Downtown grocery store, Downtown Grocery, Grocery store downtown, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, another affordable grocery store, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, Competitive grocery store, Grocery Store, We need a grocery store in downtown., A good grocery, Grocery Store, Grocery Store, We need a grocery store so people can go to without having to travel outside of town., More grocery stores, An affordable grocery store, Grocery - Harris Teeter, Winn Dixie, etc., Grocery Store, We need another grocery store other than Food Lion! (Downtown), Good Grocery Store!, Grocery store - Sharp Shopper, More grocery stores, Closest grocery store is Food Lion. Need one in city so won't have to drive half way to Lexington., Grocery store in downtown B.V. - centrally located!, Grocery Store - in town, Grocery, A local grocer in downtown would be great! With gas the way it is, even with non-walmart prices it'd be worth it!, Grocery Store Downtown, Grocery - Like Sharp Shopper, We need a grocery store so people can grocery shop within BV!, Grocery store in downtown area - within walking distance to or from dental area, Groceries, Grocery store, Grocery Store, A more affordable grocery store downtown than Food Lion you have to drive out of town for., Save-A-Lot, Grocery Store, Grocery Store,

Restaurant (92)

Buffet style restaurants, Steakhouse, Upscale Restaurants, I was sad to see Alexander's close. It would be nice to have a similar place again. (With better food service), McDonald's, C.C. Pizza, I would like to see a nice, set down family restaurant that is not pizza or Italian, something like Country Cookin here in town, Sonic, More and different restaurants, Bakery, Tasty Freeze, Restaurants, Outback Restaurant and others, Family Restaurant, Sonic Drive-In, Krispy Kreme, Restaurants, McDonalds, Nice restaurants, Restaurants, McDonalds, fast food and full service, buffet restaurants, Waffle House, Vietnamese noodle soup restaurant, More eating establishments, Restaurants - Café, K&W or Cracker Barrel, More ethnic variety restaurants like: Mediterranean, Thai, Lebanese. Most of BV's restaurants are not very good., Real bakery, Family Restaurant (Cracker Barrel), snack shop, More variety in restaurants than sandwich shops and fast food, Sonic, Golden Corral and Pizza Hut, Restaurant, Food, Panera Bread, Restaurants - Cracker Barrel, Golden Corral, a good steak house, etc., Good Restaurant!, More restaurants, Any type of industry that would have a sizeable workforce unlike the ones that are present, Sonic, Quiznos, Healthy food café, Restaurant like southern inn, nice family restaurant like (Cracker Barrel), Family Restaurant, Bakery open decent hours on weekend, Breakfast Restaurant strip center, Dunkin Donuts, A nice, quality food restaurant similar to Golden Corral, Shakers, Bakery outlet, Good family restaurant, Restaurants, Thai Restaurant, Chick-Fil-A, Applebees, Red Lobster, Olive Garden Restaurant, A nice, eat-in restaurant (one that currently isn't in Lex.), Better quality restaurants, Restaurants – I-hop, Restaurant, Restaurants, Restaurants, Would like to see a nice restaurant such as Applebees, TGIF, Olive Garden, etc., would like to see a "sports bar" open, Coffee Shop, McDonalds, Better Restaurants , Nice family restaurants, Restaurants-home cooked, Weekend Breakfast, A all you can eat restaurant where kids eat free, non-smoking, McDonalds and Long John Silvers and other large franchise restaurant, Nice, bistro-style restaurant, Coffee House, Night club, bar, Taco Bell,

Industry/ Manufacturing (54)

Manufacturing plants, Manufacturing business, Factory , Auto/Truck Plants, Manufacturing Plants, Dana Type Business, More factories, Manufacturing, Manufacturing, Jobs, Higher paying industries, Manufacturing, We need factories to help with taxes, A Dana type replacement 200 to 400 people, Toyota, Employment, We need factories-need jobs, Factory, Any that would bring jobs to the area., We have to railroad why? If we had industry other businesses would thrive, Jobs, Any kind of employers that would pay more than \$10 per hour with benefits, Those that would employ people, not necessarily service jobs!, Industry, I would like to see any type of industry come here to help absorb the tax rates, Industrial Manufacturing, Factories/Warehouses, Need to find employment for the people who love hometown, Distribution, Research and Development, Target, Scientific research (natural resources), Energy Research, Almost any type of business that would employ people and help create a better tax base. Right now we seem to be turning into little Utah., More industries, More Jobs, Manufacturers, Work factories, Manufacturing jobs, Distribution Centers, Big companies with good salaries and benefits, Factory, How about some R&D shops for major manufacturers, Any business that would give people (more than 20-30) jobs., Manufacturing jobs, factories that were dependable., Factories for work, Manufacturing, Good paying manufacturing, Factories, Factory or anything that pays more than a restaurant or motel., industry, Factories,

Retail (Superstore/Chain) (91)

Outlet Mall, Chain Clothing Stores (JC Pennys), Retail Shopping - Target or Kohls, Leggelts, Michaels - craft store, Peebles Store J.C. Pennys, Target, Retail Stores (not dollar stores), Dept. Store (Clothing), A dollar store, A card shop (Hallmark), Target, Kohls, K-Mart, Value City, Gabriel Brothers and Ollies, Target, K-Mart, Can we get a Target to come into old Foodlion area?, Home Depot, Target, Sears, Roses, Target, Clothing for teens, Shopping Center, Maybe Wal-Mart, mens clothing, womens clothing, shoe store, Staples or Office Depot, Mailboxes, Etc. Target, TJ Maxx, Sams, Target, Walmart, Dept. Store (Reasonable), Department Store, Fabric/Craft Supplies, Clothing Store, Wal-Mart, Retail-Shopping, Target, Fashion Bug, Cato's, Belk, Home Depot, Retail Department Store (Value City), K-Mart, Pennys, Office Supply, Michaels, Cabel's, Target, Walmart (Like), Dept. Store, Discount Stores like Wal-mart, New Target Store, New Wal-Mart in vicinity, Target, Walgreens, Costco, Target, Stien Mart, More retail!, Large discount retailer, Dept. Store, A dept. store like Kohls, Bookstore/ Barnes & Noble , Catos, Fashion Bug, K-Mart, Big Lots, Multi-purpose retail dept. store, Department Store, Target (just outside of main town), Target, Dept. Store, More affordable shopping i.e. Wal-mart, Department Stores, Wal-Mart, Department Store - ie Target/ Kohls/ Stein Mart/ Kmart, Walmart, A good department store such as Target, Kmart or Belk, Department Store, I'd love to see a dept. store and a fabric store, Dept. Store, Dept. Stores, Department Store, Department Store, Affordable chainstore for 1 stop shopping,

Retail (Non-Chain or Not Specified) (105)

Retail Store(s), Family Clothing, Real need here to keep people away from Wal-Mart, Clothing Store, Gen. Merchandise, Clothes Store, Clothing Store, Clothing & variety stores, Dress Shop (Ladies), Clothes Retail, Shoe Store, Bookstore, Retail, Affordable clothing, Retailers, Retail store, clothing, A bicycle shop, a jewelry store, Clothing, Clothing Store, Variety Store, Downtown shops, Men's Clothing, Bigger stores like Walmart but something that is owned by a hometown person, JC Pennys, Macys, Large retail store like a K-Mart (no more Wal-Marts), Shopping center. We have to go 45 miles to get a man's suit, Bookstore, Better gift shops, Clothing, More shopping opportunities, Craft supplies, Shoe store, bookstore, hardware store, health food store, bookstore, Clothing, Good Clothing Stores, Shopping, Clothing store, Shoe store, Clothing stores, Shoe stores, Business supplies - paper, computer, etc. Clothing Store, Book Store, Clothing Store, Shoe Store, Pet Store, More stores downtown - variety stores, small department stores (know its hard to compete with Wal-Mart), More collectible and antiques, Clothing Store, Shoe Store, Shopping, Shoe Store, Christian Book Store, Retail (No more Dollar Stores!), Clothing, Shoe Store, Kids Clothing, Clothing Stores, Shoe Stores and bookstore, Retail Sporting/Outdoor Goods, Thrift Store, Use Appliance Store, Clothing Store, Hardware, Affordable clothing stores, Shoe shore, Target, Craft Store/Fabric Store, Book store, Clothing Store, Clothing stores, Retail, Bookstore, Clothing, Hardware, Clothing store, Craft Store, Clothes Store, Some retail stores (clothing), Gift Shops, Would like to buy good quality clothing in BV and have. I would quit going to Walmart if something affordable was in B.V. , Clothing Store that is affordable, Used Bookstore, Thrift Store (clothes & toys), Book/art/coffee retailers, , Women's clothing,, Retail, Full line clothing, Specialty Shops, Hardware, Bookstore, Hardware Store, Gift Shop,

Miscellaneous-Non Retail & Comments (112)

Full Service Gas Station, Business for low-income, and retired people who both are living on fixed income, Hot tub dealer, Day Spa, Bowling Alley, Drs. Offices, Beauty Salon, More stores open, Gas Station, More activities for children to do, so they won't get bored, Another vet clinic (with grooming services), Pharmacies, Full Service automotives, Another Funeral Home, Medical, Public Transportation, Plumbers, Drug Store, Plumber, Newspaper, Fin e Arts Organization, Landscaping, Some type of cab service for people who can't drive or get around, Nice Park, A Sheetz, A new clean motel, Fitness programs, Camps for children, Health Care, Economic Development, Sheetz, Butcher!, Sheetz, Some where you can shop without leaving town, Youth Center, Catholic Church, Recreational gym/pool, Home cleaning weekly, Light repairs to homes for elderly, Child/teen/family entertainment, Better theaters or reconstruct old one, Wood, The businesses we use outside of BV couldn't be supported here. It would be good to have something that attracted outside money, bowling/skating, better cable company, Sheetz, scooter rental or bicycle rental, Outdoor Sports, Family Clothing Store, Dry Cleaners, Pawn Shop, Massage Parlor, Flea Market, Pharmacy, Anything - we need everything that we can get - tax money more business more taxes, Public transportation to Lexington etc. Chuck E Cheese, mini golf, multiplex theater, Lawyer, Cab Company, real barber shop, Convention Centers, Health Care, A nice hotel/convention center at the golf course, A nice public meeting facility (bigger and nicer than fire hall and American Legion, There is a great need for an upscale motel or hotel and more restaurants, Bowling Alley, More recreational facilities. i.e. - miniature golf, paintball, bowling, etc., Solar Carosssel (photo-voltaic proof), We have 1 grocery store, 1 car sales, 1 movie, 1 hardware, 1 vet, 1 drs office. We are full of beauty/tanning, banks, vehicle repair - get it?, Quilt Shops, Full service gas station, Entertainment, such as mini-golf, bowling or a Big movie theatre (even one screen, just big!), Movie Theatre, Bowling Alley/Miniature Golf (Family Activity Center), Dry cleaning and laundry, More doctors, A more upscale motel, Full service gas station, Dry cleaners, Am totally happy to see framing shop(s), sports store and Uncorked! I support them all, because they are local., Midas Brake Service, Shops we can afford to shop in, More stuff to do for families besides camping and swimming, ABC sotre, Full time state run day care, Wachovia Bank, Nice hotel, Sad lack of decent childcare!, Professional offices, Entertainment for families: bowling, putt-putt golf, Fabric Store, Local Produce, Local meats for sale, Beauty Salon, Teen Center, Nice Motel, Recreation facilities, Shore Store, Reasonable fitness center/exercise space., Copy Shop, Bookstore, Indoor skating rink/bowling alley. Rollerskating Rink, Bowling Alley, Something with a future for our kids so they will want to stay here., Recreational such as mini-golf, Chuck E. Cheese, or game room type facility for teens, We need better jobs in this town. This is not a city it is a town or village. Child friendly shopping/play areas, like Pandit Books (that unfortunately shut down.), Drug Store, Nice motel's, people to be more supportive, Preschool, Motel, Movies, Staffed recreational activities with proper equipment and instruction for all ages., Modern hotel/motel with pool, Sheetz Gas/Store

52. Including yourself, how many members of your household over the age of 18 are employed?

<input type="checkbox"/> 0	106	25.00%	94	26.78%	1.78%
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	125	29.48%	95	27.07%	-2.42%
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	145	34.20%	130	37.04%	2.84%
<input type="checkbox"/> 3	31	7.31%	26	7.41%	0.10%
<input type="checkbox"/> 4	15	3.54%	5	1.42%	-2.11%
<input type="checkbox"/> 5	0	0.00%	1	0.28%	0.28%
<input type="checkbox"/> 6+	2	0.47%	0	0.00%	-0.47%
<i>Response</i>	424		351		

53. What is your employment status?

Adult #1

Part-time employed	42	13.77%	46	11.98%	-1.79%
Full-time employed	190	62.30%	170	44.27%	-18.02%
Retired	16	5.25%	124	32.29%	27.05%
Looking for work	16	5.25%	16	4.17%	-1.08%
Self-employed	27	8.85%	20	5.21%	-3.64%
Work more than one job	14	4.59%	8	2.08%	-2.51%
<input type="checkbox"/> Other:					
<i>Response</i>	305		384		

Adult #2					
Part-time employed	34	10.24%	28	11.48%	1.23%
Full-time employed	157	47.29%	108	44.26%	-3.03%
Retired	99	29.82%	77	31.56%	1.74%
Looking for work	9	2.71%	11	4.51%	1.80%
Self-employed	24	7.23%	13	5.33%	-1.90%
Work more than one job	9	2.71%	7	2.87%	0.16%
□ Other: _____					
<i>Response</i>	332		244		

54. If employed, what is your primary job commuting distance?

Adult #1					
Less than 10 minutes	116	45.14%	114	48.31%	3.17%
11-20 minutes	100	38.91%	80	33.90%	-5.01%
21-30 minutes	12	4.67%	18	7.63%	2.96%
31-45 minutes	7	2.72%	7	2.97%	0.24%
46-60 minutes	13	5.06%	11	4.66%	-0.40%
More than one hour	9	3.50%	6	2.54%	-0.96%
<i>Response</i>	257		236		

Adult #2					
Less than 10 minutes	96	48.73%	71	49.31%	0.57%
11-20 minutes	61	30.96%	46	31.94%	0.98%
21-30 minutes	12	6.09%	12	8.33%	2.24%
31-45 minutes	7	3.55%	4	2.78%	-0.78%
46-60 minutes	13	6.60%	7	4.86%	-1.74%
More than one hour	8	4.06%	4	2.78%	-1.28%
<i>Response</i>	197		144		

55. If employed, in what industry?

□ Manufacturing/Industry	59	24.58%	49	23.00%	-1.58%
□ Retail	32	13.33%	29	13.62%	0.28%
□ Personal Service	22	9.17%	12	5.63%	-3.53%
□ Professional Service	71	29.58%	80	37.56%	7.98%
□ Government (Any Level)	41	17.08%	31	14.55%	-2.53%
□ Construction	15	6.25%	12	5.63%	-0.62%
□ Other:					
<i>Response</i>	240		213		

56. Family Status:

□ Single, no children	38	9.20%	53	15.23%	6.03%
□ Single, with children	36	8.72%	18	5.17%	-3.54%
□ Single, children no longer at home	39	9.44%	39	11.21%	1.76%
□ Couple, no children	48	11.62%	44	12.64%	1.02%
□ Couple, with children	122	29.54%	106	30.46%	0.92%
□ Couple, children no longer at home	130	31.48%	88	25.29%	-6.19%
□ Other:					
<i>Response</i>	413		348		

57. Including yourself, how many persons live in your home?

<input type="checkbox"/> 0	9	2.04%	12	3.25%	1.22%
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	83	18.78%	77	20.87%	2.09%
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	202	45.70%	160	43.36%	-2.34%
<input type="checkbox"/> 3	66	14.93%	58	15.72%	0.79%
<input type="checkbox"/> 4	50	11.31%	30	8.13%	-3.18%
<input type="checkbox"/> 5	16	3.62%	20	5.42%	1.80%
<input type="checkbox"/> 6+	16	3.62%	12	3.25%	-0.37%
<i>Response</i>	442		369		

58. How many in your home are 18 year of age or younger?

<input type="checkbox"/> 0	268	63.66%	229	65.43%	1.77%
<input type="checkbox"/> 1	57	13.54%	49	14.00%	0.46%
<input type="checkbox"/> 2	67	15.91%	44	12.57%	-3.34%
<input type="checkbox"/> 3	18	4.28%	18	5.14%	0.86%
<input type="checkbox"/> 4	7	1.66%	4	1.14%	-0.52%
<input type="checkbox"/> 5	4	0.95%	5	1.43%	0.48%
<input type="checkbox"/> 6+	0	0.00%	1	0.29%	0.29%
<i>Response</i>	421		350	100.00%	

59. What is your age?

<input type="checkbox"/> Under 20	1	0.23%	0	0.00%	-0.23%
<input type="checkbox"/> 20-24	5	1.13%	8	2.16%	1.03%
<input type="checkbox"/> 25-34	25	5.64%	28	7.55%	1.91%
<input type="checkbox"/> 35-44	58	13.32%	53	14.29%	0.97%
<input type="checkbox"/> 45-54	108	24.38%	76	20.49%	-3.89%
<input type="checkbox"/> 55-64	85	19.19%	81	21.83%	2.64%
<input type="checkbox"/> 65-74	95	21.44%	83	22.37%	0.93%
<input type="checkbox"/> Over 75	65	14.67%	42	11.32%	-3.35%
<i>Response</i>	442		371	100.00%	

60. Gender:

<input type="checkbox"/> Male	217	47.07%	116	33.92%	-13.15%
<input type="checkbox"/> Female	244	52.93%	226	66.08%	13.15%
<i>Reponse</i>	461		342		

61. Do you actively volunteer your time?

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		46.88%		45.13%	-1.75%
<input type="checkbox"/> No		53.12%		54.87%	1.75%
If no, why?					
<input type="checkbox"/> Too busy		54.39%		54.25%	-0.14%
<input type="checkbox"/> Unaware of opportunities		16.37%		22.88%	6.51%
<input type="checkbox"/> No desire		29.24%		22.88%	-6.36%

62. What level of education have you completed?

<input type="checkbox"/> Less than 9 th grade	25	5.09%	17	4.16%	-0.93%
<input type="checkbox"/> 9 th grade to 12 th grade, no diploma	34	4.91%	31	7.58%	2.67%
<input type="checkbox"/> High school graduate or GED	138	28.11%	107	26.16%	-1.95%
<input type="checkbox"/> Trade or vocational school training	26	5.30%	18	4.40%	-0.90%
<input type="checkbox"/> Some college, no degree	98	19.96%	81	19.80%	-0.16%
<input type="checkbox"/> Associate's degree	25	5.09%	27	6.60%	1.51%
<input type="checkbox"/> Bachelor's degree	77	15.68%	70	17.11%	1.43%
<input type="checkbox"/> Graduate or professional degree	68	13.85%	58	14.18%	0.33%
<i>Response</i>	<i>491</i>		<i>409</i>	<i>100.00%</i>	

63. Please indicate if your gross annual household income is:

<input type="checkbox"/> \$0-14,999	68	17.39%	59	17.72%	0.33%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$15,000-24,999	25	6.39%	32	9.61%	3.22%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$25,000-34,999	78	19.39%	59	17.72%	-1.67%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$35,000-44,999	38	9.69%	31	9.31%	-0.38%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$45,000-54,999	46	11.73%	58	17.42%	5.69%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$55,000-64,999	37	9.44%	21	6.31%	-3.13%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$65,000-74,999	28	7.14%	24	7.21%	0.07%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$75,000-84,999	25	6.38%	17	5.11%	-1.27%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$85,000-94,999	15	3.83%	11	3.30%	-0.53%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$95,000-99,999	10	2.55%	4	1.20%	-1.35%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$100,000-199,999	21	5.36%	14	4.20%	-1.16%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$200,000-299,999	3	0.77%	2	0.60%	-0.17%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$300,000-399,999	0	0.00%	1	0.30%	0.30%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$400,000-499,999	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
<input type="checkbox"/> \$500,000 or more	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%
<i>Response</i>	<i>394</i>		<i>333</i>	<i>15.48%</i>	

What is your current assessment of the following characteristics of Buena Vista?

64. Sense of Community	2.9	3.37	14%
65. Appearance of City	2.75	3.09	11%
66. Arts and Culture	2.06	2.59	20%
67. Parks & Trails	2.91	3.33	13%
68. Open Space Areas	2.61	3.2	18%
69. Scenic/Visual Quality	3.09	3.62	15%
70. Shopping	1.63	1.75	7%
71. Public Safety	3.29	3.79	13%
72. Fire & Rescue	3.78	4.06	7%
73. Recreation	2.86	3.24	12%
74. Job Opportunities	1.75	1.06	-65%
75. Affordable Housing	2.16	2.47	13%
76. Traffic Flow	3.02	3.47	13%
77. City Services	2.92	3.23	10%
78. Economic Development	2.02	2.34	14%
79. Education (K-12)	3.25	3.68	12%
80. Higher Education	2.74	3.31	17%

81. Do you own more than one home in Buena Vista?

<input type="checkbox"/> Yes	41	8.72%	47	11.78%	3.06%
<input type="checkbox"/> 2 homes	35	85.37%	32	36.36%	-49.01%
<input type="checkbox"/> 3 homes	2	4.88%	6	6.82%	1.94%
<input type="checkbox"/> 4 homes	2	4.88%	1	1.14%	-3.74%
<input type="checkbox"/> 5 homes or more.	1	2.44%	2	2.27%	-0.17%
<input type="checkbox"/> No (skip questions #82)		90.55%	311	86.87%	-3.68%
<i>Response</i>			399		

82. What is the current use of the property that is not your primary residence?

<input type="checkbox"/> Rental	32	78.05%	43	45.26%	-32.79%
<input type="checkbox"/> Home Business	3	7.32%	2	2.11%	-5.21%
<input type="checkbox"/> Owner Use Only	22	53.66%	41	43.16%	-10.50%
<input type="checkbox"/> Friends or Family	9	21.95%	9	9.47%	-12.48%
<i>Response</i>	66		95	100.00%	

83. Do you recycle?

Yes, how often			334	90.27%
No, Why not?			36	9.73%
<i>Response</i>			370	

84. Buena Vista City Public Schools is currently examining costs associated with the construction, rehabilitation, or expansion of Parry McCluer Middle School. The estimated costs associated with these options are as follows: With this cost information available, please indicate your opinion based on the following choices.

I would support renovating the middle school			133	36.24%
I would support renovating the middle school with an enlarged cafeteria and a drop-off point for			101	27.52%
I would like to explore a new middle school.			87	23.71%
I do not support any of these options.			46	12.53%
<i>Response</i>			367	100.00%