## 2007 Brown County Needs and Assets Assessment

1. Gender			
		Response Percent	Response Count
Female		64.6%	383
Male		35.4%	210
	answere	ed question	593
	skippe	ed question	0



3. Length of Time Living in Brown County								
		Response Percent	Response Count					
Don't Live in Brown County		10.6%	63					
Less than 5 yrs		10.3%	61					
5-10 yrs		12.8%	76					
More than 10 yrs		50.1%	297					
Life-Long Resident		16.2%	96					
	answere	ed question	593					
	skippe	ed question	0					

4. Residence Location								
		Response Percent	Response Count					
Hamblen Township		15.7%	93					
Washington Township		35.9%	213					
Van Buren Township		8.6%	51					
Jackson Township		26.6%	158					
Other (please specify)		13.2%	78					
	answere	ed question	593					
	skippe	ed question	0					

5. Work Location				
		Response Percent	Response Count	
Brown County		51.9%	308	
Don't Work		21.8%	129	
Work Elsewhere		26.3%	156	
	answered question			
	skipp	ed question	0	

6. Housing								
	Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Not Concerned	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count		
Availability of affordable housing	50.7% (279)	31.1% (171)	11.1% (61)	7.1% (39)	1.75	550		
Quality of available housing	42.0% (231)	32.9% (181)	14.5% (80)	10.5% (58)	1.94	550		
				Additional (	Comments	71		
answered question						550		
				skipped	l question	43		

7. Health								
	Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Not Concerned	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count		
Quality of local health services	30.9% (170)	35.5% (195)	27.1% (149)	6.5% (36)	2.09	550		
Affordability of local health services	41.5% (228)	33.8% (186)	16.9% (93)	7.8% (43)	1.91	550		
Accessibility of local health services	32.9% (181)	33.5% (184)	25.8% (142)	7.8% (43)	2.09	550		
Ambulance service levels	35.6% (196)	32.5% (179)	23.5% (129)	8.4% (46)	2.05	550		
Local hunger levels	36.4% (200)	43.1% (237)	10.2% (56)	10.4% (57)	1.95	550		
Local health and fitness levels	36.7% (202)	37.8% (208)	16.5% (91)	8.9% (49)	1.98	550		
Additional Comments								
	answered question					550		
				skipped	question	43		

8. Economic Development								
	Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Not Concerned	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count		
Availability of better paying jobs	72.0% (396)	19.8% (109)	4.7% (26)	3.5% (19)	1.40	550		
Career advancement opportunities	62.9% (346)	23.8% (131)	8.4% (46)	4.9% (27)	1.55	550		
Availability of employees with good work habits	46.0% (253)	34.5% (190)	10.7% (59)	8.7% (48)	1.82	550		
Diversity of local employer base	48.2% (265)	26.9% (148)	13.6% (75)	11.3% (62)	1.88	550		
				Additional (	Comments	57		
	answered question					550		
				skipped	question	43		

9. Education and Youth								
	Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Not Concerned	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count		
Quality of local public schools	30.7% (169)	32.9% (181)	28.0% (154)	8.4% (46)	2.14	550		
Number of youth continuing education after high school	42.2% (232)	38.2% (210)	11.6% (64)	8.0% (44)	1.85	550		
Availability of intervention programs for at-risk youth	47.1% (259)	35.5% (195)	8.5% (47)	8.9% (49)	1.79	550		
Availability of affordable, quality child care	42.0% (231)	31.3% (172)	14.0% (77)	12.7% (70)	1.97	550		
Quality of educational programs for children with disabilities	34.0% (187)	28.5% (157)	18.5% (102)	18.9% (104)	2.22	550		
				Additional (	Comments	60		
	answered question							
				skipped	d question	43		

10. Arts and Leisure								
	Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Not Concerned	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count		
Variety of recreational activities	24.7% (136)	34.0% (187)	37.5% (206)	3.8% (21)	2.20	550		
Variety of cultural events	18.5% (102)	34.2% (188)	41.3% (227)	6.0% (33)	2.35	550		
Efforts to protect and promote the county's art heritage	22.0% (121)	30.5% (168)	39.6% (218)	7.8% (43)	2.33	550		
				Additional (	Comments	60		
answered question						550		
				skipped	d question	43		

11. Safety and Support Services									
	Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Not Concerned	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count			
Quality of police department services	31.5% (173)	34.0% (187)	26.2% (144)	8.4% (46)	2.11	550			
Quality of fire department services	38.2% (210)	34.4% (189)	19.5% (107)	8.0% (44)	1.97	550			
Local child abuse levels	39.3% (216)	34.9% (192)	8.4% (46)	17.5% (96)	2.04	550			
Local domestic violence levels	41.3% (227)	34.7% (191)	8.2% (45)	15.8% (87)	1.99	550			
Local alcohol and drug abuse levels	53.1% (292)	29.6% (163)	5.8% (32)	11.5% (63)	1.76	550			
Availability of services for the elderly	39.1% (215)	38.2% (210)	11.8% (65)	10.9% (60)	1.95	550			
Availability of public transportation	47.6% (262)	29.5% (162)	14.0% (77)	8.9% (49)	1.84	550			
Availability of services for people with physical and/or intellectual disabilities	35.6% (196)	36.9% (203)	11.5% (63)	16.0% (88)	2.08	550			
Additional Comments									
	answered question					550			
				skipped	question	43			

12. Environment and Infrastructure								
	Concerned	Somewhat Concerned	Not Concerned	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count		
Effectiveness of sewer and septic systems	54.7% (301)	25.6% (141)	11.1% (61)	8.5% (47)	1.73	550		
Amount of littering and dumping	50.7% (279)	34.2% (188)	9.5% (52)	5.6% (31)	1.70	550		
Water quality	45.9% (252)	28.2% (155)	18.2% (100)	7.7% (42)	1.88	549		
Availability of recycling opportunities	20.2% (111)	29.7% (163)	43.5% (239)	6.6% (36)	2.36	549		
Availability of Internet and other communication services	43.5% (239)	25.9% (142)	20.0% (110)	10.6% (58)	1.98	549		
Accessibility of buildings for people with physical limitations	22.9% (125)	41.0% (224)	18.6% (102)	17.6% (96)	2.31	547		
Additional Comments								
	answered question					550		
				skipped	question	43		

13. Possible Projects								
	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Very Important	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count		
Expand health support clinic	48.6% (255)	32.4% (170)	7.6% (40)	11.4% (60)	1.82	525		
Continue development of affordable housing options	50.7% (266)	33.9% (178)	7.4% (39)	8.0% (42)	1.73	525		
Develop a rural transportation system	39.6% (208)	33.5% (176)	19.2% (101)	7.6% (40)	1.95	525		
Promote county's environmental aspects	51.4% (270)	33.1% (174)	7.8% (41)	7.6% (40)	1.72	525		
Continue to support and develop CRC	53.5% (281)	32.2% (169)	3.8% (20)	10.5% (55)	1.71	525		
Establish a regional arts and culture center	27.2% (143)	37.3% (196)	24.4% (128)	11.0% (58)	2.19	525		
Enhance efforts to attract visitors	45.5% (239)	34.7% (182)	12.2% (64)	7.6% (40)	1.82	525		
Establish a regional history center	25.7% (135)	39.8% (209)	24.8% (130)	9.7% (51)	2.18	525		
Combine City and County offices	26.5% (139)	26.1% (137)	25.9% (136)	21.5% (113)	2.42	525		

Develop health and fitness initiatives	30.1% (158)	43.2% (227)	15.4% (81)	11.2% (59)	2.08	525
Improve the sewer and water systems	60.6% (318)	25.7% (135)	5.0% (26)	8.8% (46)	1.62	525
Develop a fire district	24.8% (130)	16.0% (84)	29.3% (154)	29.9% (157)	2.64	525
Additional Comments						94
	answered question				525	
				skipped	question	68

14. Final Impressions						
	Agree	Somewhat Agree	Disagree	No Opinion	Rating Average	Response Count
Our county is a great place to live	71.8% (377)	21.5% (113)	2.7% (14)	4.0% (21)	1.39	525
In general, things are going in the right direction	27.6% (145)	47.6% (250)	18.1% (95)	6.7% (35)	2.04	525
	answered question				525	
	skipped question				68	

15. If you could change one thing that would make Brown County a better place to live and work, what would it be?			
		Response Count	
		525	
	answered question	525	
	skipped question	68	

16. When you think about Brown County, what are three words that come to mind?		
	Response Count	
	525	
answered question	525	
skipped question	68	