

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD! Please take just 10 minutes to share your opinions about important issues facing our community. You will be entered to win a \$250 Visa gift card!

Hart Research Associates and Public Opinion Strategies (two national research firms) are conducting this survey with the Community Foundation of the Chattahoochee Valley to learn your opinions on a few questions about your community. This is for research purposes only. You will not be sold anything. Your participation is voluntary and your responses will be kept confidential.

Everyone who completes the survey will have the chance to enter to win a \$250 Visa gift card, or the winner can choose to have the \$250 donated to the charity of their choice.

Q1 How old are you?

- Under age 18
- 18-24
- 25-29
- 30-34
- 35-39
- 40-44
- 45-49
- 50-54
- 55-59
- 60-64
- 65-69
- 70-74
- 75 or older

Q2 Looking ahead to the next five years or so, do you feel more hopeful or more worried about what the future holds for your community?

- More hopeful
- More worried

Q3 Listed here are several statements. For each one, please indicate how much you agree or disagree.

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
My community is the perfect place for people like me.				
My community provides opportunities for everyone.				
Residents have shared goals and priorities for our community.				

Q4 Do you think people in your community are more united or more divided when it comes to addressing important goals and challenges?

- Much more united
- Somewhat more united
- Somewhat more divided
- Much more divided

Q5 Barring a natural disaster or other unforeseen challenges, how do you think your community will be as a place to live five years from now, compared to today?

- Will be much better
- Will be somewhat better
- Will stay about the same
- Will be somewhat worse
- Will be much worse

Q6 How involved are you in community and neighborhood activities where you live?

- Very involved
- Somewhat involved
- Not too involved
- Not at all involved

Q7 Which **THREE** of these issues do you think are the most important for your community to address? **Write the item number from the list below of your first, second, and third choice in the spaces provided.**

- 1st Choice: _____
- 2nd Choice: _____
- 3rd Choice: _____

- 1) Housing issues (e.g., affordable housing, reducing homelessness)
- 2) Local public and charter schools
- 3) Crime, violence, and public safety
- 4) Reducing hunger and food insecurity
- 5) Public transportation
- 6) Early childhood development (e.g., affordable child care, early childhood education)
- 7) Affordable healthcare
- 8) Good-paying jobs and economic development
- 9) Parks and recreational areas
- 10) Race relations, racism, and racial discrimination
- 11) Environmental issues (e.g., air, water)
- 12) Social justice issues (e.g., equality, civil rights, police-involved violence, incarceration)
- 13) Poverty, economic security, and upward economic mobility
- 14) Drug and alcohol addiction
- 15) The treatment of immigrants in our community

Q8 How much impact do you think people like you can have in making your community a better place to live?

- A big impact
- A moderate impact
- A small impact
- No impact at all

Q9 Which **TWO or THREE** of the following groups do you think are having the greatest impact on making your community a better place to live? (Select up to three.)

- Residents in your community
- Youth in your community
- Local government
- Churches, synagogues, mosques, and faith communities
- Employers and the business community
- Nonprofits and community organizations
- Public school teachers and leaders
- News media

Q10 How important do you think it is that members from across your community come together in person on a regular basis to engage in conversations with each other in order to develop effective solutions to the issues and challenges facing your community today?

- Essential
- Very important
- Fairly important
- Just somewhat important
- Not important

Q11 Changing topics now, please indicate which of the following apply to you as they relate to your *On the Table* experience. Select all that apply.

- I spoke with at least one person that I did not already know
- I exchanged contact information with at least one person that I did not already know
- I learned about important issues in my community
- The conversation helped me better understand how I can take action to help address issues and challenges in my community
- None of these apply to me

Q12 How likely are you to take specific actions or next steps regarding an issue or solution discussed at the *On the Table* conversation you participated in?

- Very likely
- Somewhat likely
- Not too likely
- Not at all likely

C1 Please indicate the degree to which your participation in the *On the Table* conversation influenced each of the following things for you personally.

	A big impact	A moderate impact	A small impact	No impact at all
Deepening your understanding of specific actions you could take to help address issues in your community.				
Increasing your awareness of organizations that you could work with to address issues in your community.				
Making you feel more optimistic that members of your community can work together to make positive change.				
Making you feel more connected to members of your community.				
Increasing your understanding of the challenges faced by others across your community.				
Motivating you to get involved in addressing issues in your community.				

C2 Which **ONE or TWO** of the following are the most motivating to you personally as reasons to be involved and engaged in your community? *Please select up to two.*

- I am concerned about the direction that my community is heading, and I want to be a part of working to address those concerns
- I am excited about the potential I see for the future of my community, and I want to be a part of shaping it
- I believe it is my moral responsibility
- I want my community to be strong for our youth and future generations
- There are specific issues and causes that interest me and motivate me to get involved
- Another reason not listed here. (Please specify:)

C3 Below is a list of ways people can get involved in addressing issues and challenges facing their community. Please select the THREE ways you are most likely to get involved in the next 12 months.

- Join a small group that meets regularly to discuss issues that are important to me
- Volunteer with my family (parents and children together)
- Volunteer to serve as a board member of a nonprofit
- Participate in a volunteer service event (e.g., clean-up day, build day, feed the hungry)
- Donate money to help address an issue or challenge that is important to me
- Write letters to elected officials or the local newspaper on an issue that is important to me
- Attend a rally or march on an issue that is important to me
- Spend time getting to know people in the Chattahoochee Valley who have a different perspective than I do
- Mentor someone in my community
- Volunteer with residents from different parts of the Chattahoochee Valley to address important issues
- I am not likely to get involved in any of these ways

C4 Please indicate what, if anything, prevents you from getting more involved in addressing issues affecting your community. Select all that apply.

- I am unsure how to get involved or where to find out about opportunities to be involved
- I cannot find opportunities to be involved near where I live or work
- I want to be more involved, but do not have the time
- I am not sure what I can do that would be helpful
- I used to be more involved, but it was not a positive or fulfilling experience
- I am not interested in getting involved
- I am as involved as I want to be

C5 How confident are you that residents in your community can come together to address issues and challenges affecting the area in a positive and helpful way?

- Very confident
- Somewhat confident
- Not too confident
- Not at all confident

C6 What is your relationship to the Community Foundation of the Chattahoochee Valley? Please select all that apply.

- I have attended one of their events
- I have seen their publications and/or press releases
- I am a donor to the Community Foundation of the Chattahoochee Valley or one of its funds
- I am a grantee (my organization has received funds from the Community Foundation of the Chattahoochee Valley)
- I am a Donor-Advised Fund holder or Agency-Endowment Fund holder
- Other
- None of these--I have no relationship, I had not heard of the Community Foundation of the Chattahoochee Valley before *On the Table*

Q13 How did you hear about *On the Table*?

- Local newspaper in print or online
- Local radio
- TV announcement
- Communication from the Community Foundation of the Chattahoochee Valley
- Flyer or pamphlet posted in the community
- Through a community organization, church, or other faith-based organization
- Word of mouth from friend, family, coworker, etc.
- Social media (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.)
- Some other source (please specify: _____)
- I am not sure

Q14 Did you participate in an *On the Table* conversation last year?

- Yes No

Q15 Are you interested in receiving e-mail communications from the Community Foundation of the Chattahoochee Valley about how to get involved in community issues and events?

- Yes (*Please provide your e-mail:* _____)
- No

These final questions are for statistical purposes only.

QF1 Are you...?

- Male
- Female
- A gender identity not listed here

QF2 What is the last grade that you completed in school?

- High school graduate, GED, or less education
- Vocational training, 2-year college degree, or some college, no degree
- 4-year college or bachelor's degree
- Postgraduate coursework or degree

QF3 And for how long have you lived in your community?

- Less than one year
- One to five years
- Six to 10 years
- 11 to 20 years
- 21 to 30 years
- More than 30 years

QF4 Are you the parent or guardian of any children under age 18?

- Yes No

QF5 Please indicate whether the following statements apply to you.

	Yes, applies to me	No, does not apply to me	I am/was not eligible to vote
I have voted in all or most recent local elections.			
I have donated to a charity/cause that is important to me, or to a church or faith-based organization in the past year.			
I have spoken with my city council member, mayor, or other local elected official in the past year.			
I have performed local volunteer work for an organization or group in the past year.			
I have attended a public meeting in the past year (examples include: a school-related group, church-related group, neighborhood association, political organization, ethnic or cultural organization, business or professional association, etc.).			

QF6 Do you own or rent your home?

Own Rent Some other arrangement

QF7 Regardless of how you may be registered, how would you describe your overall point of view in terms of political party?

- Strong Republican
 Leaning Republican
 Completely independent
 Leaning Democratic
 Strong Democrat
 Other

QF8a For statistical purposes, are you from a Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background?

- Yes, from Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background
 No, not from Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background

QF8b Are you...?

- White
 Black/African American
 Asian
 Other
 Biracial or multiracial

C7 Do you have a current connection to Fort Benning? If so, please indicate your connection.

- Yes--I am active duty military
 Yes--I am a spouse or family member of someone who is active duty military
 Yes--I am retired military
 Yes--I am a spouse of someone who is retired military
 Yes--I am a Department of Defense civilian or contractor
 No, do not have a current connection

QF9 Finally, what is your ZIP Code?

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That concludes the survey. Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey!

If you would like to be entered for a chance to win a \$250 Visa gift card, or the opportunity to have \$250 donated to the charity of your choice, please provide your name and the best phone number and e-mail address to reach you. This information will ONLY be used for this drawing.

If you do not want to enter, please leave blank.

Name

Phone number

E-mail address