

Neighborhood Preference Survey Results

400 neighborhood preference survey forms were hand distributed and also posted to the F-SNA website during November, 2011. A second round of survey forms was included with the February, 2012 newsletter. 43 households responded, comprising greater than 10% of our neighbors. This input is very valuable as a basis to determine our future priorities as neighborhood organization.

Here is a brief summary of some of the most frequent responses:

1. The average respondent has lived in the neighborhood for 21 years.
2. 81% of the respondents are neighborhood association members.
3. The items that were cited most frequently as things neighbors most liked about the neighborhood are location, trees, large lots, beauty of neighborhood, nice neighbors, convenient to everything, homes well cared for.
4. The items that respondents identified as things that the FSNA should do are:
 - Maintain neighborhood Crime Watch – 100%
 - Provide information about issues relevant to the neighborhood – 98%
 - Advocate for drainage improvements – 91%
 - Advocate for roadway improvements – 88%
 - Advocate for sidewalk improvements and installations – 84%
 - Promote neighborhood businesses – 74%
 - Advocate for bikeway improvements (bike lanes/ side paths) – 72%
 - Advocate for transit improvements (bus/other) – 67%
 - Coordinate with John Strange Elementary School – 67%
 - Provide opportunities to speak with our elected and other government officials – 63%
 - Advocate for sanitary sewer installations – 60%
 - Host neighborhood gatherings – 53%
5. 28% of the respondents said that they have attended an FSNA meeting in the past and 28% would do so if they were held at a different day or time. Weekday evenings were preferred, with Monday being the most popular evening and Tuesday and Wednesday tied for the next most popular evening.
6. The ways that respondents preferred to be communicated with are:
 - a. E-mail – 81%
 - b. Website – 30% (although this also provides information to others checking out the FSNA!)
 - c. Hardcopy newsletter – 56%
7. 86% stated that the neighborhood association provides value to their households.

Thanks to all neighbors who participated in this survey. The individual comments on the survey forms were also noted and we hope to follow up on these in the coming year. It is a pleasure to serve you!