

Heidelberg Township Results

(January 18, 2016)

*Approximately 1394 Surveys Sent – 495 Returned
(35% Return Rate)*

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Survey Results

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Section - GENERAL BACKGROUND

1. Are you a?

91.5%	450	Full-Time Resident
1.8%	9	Part-Time Resident
6.7%	33	Non-Resident Landowner

Comments/Notes for "Non-Resident Landowner":

Group-owned by approximately 100 members.

On active duty

2. How long have you lived in Heidelberg Township? Person 1

60.3%	281	More than 25 Years
21.9%	102	10 - 25 Years
7.7%	36	6 -10 Years
8.6%	40	1 - 5 Years
1.5%	7	Less than 1 Year

2. How long have you lived in Heidelberg Township? Person 2

57.4%	206	More than 25 Years
22.0%	79	10 - 25 Years
8.9%	32	6 -10 Years
9.5%	34	1 - 5 Years
2.2%	8	Less than 1 Year

3. Are you a life-long Township resident? Person 1

67.2%	311	No
32.8%	152	Yes

3. Are you a life-long Township resident? Person 2

83.8%	301	No
16.2%	58	Yes

3. If no, where did you move from? Person 1

Akron
Annville (2 responses tallied)
Annville and Richland
Atkinson, NH
Avon Heights, PA
Berks County (8 responses tallied)
Bethel Township (4 responses tallied)
Bethesda, MD
Bowmansville
Bradford, PA
Brickerville
Brownstown (2 responses tallied)
Clay Township, Lancaster County (2 responses tallied)
Cleona Borough
Columbia, PA
Cornwall Borough (4 responses tallied)
Denver and akron
Denver, PA (2 responses tallied)
Earl Township, Lancaster County
East Cocalico Twp
East Earl, Lancaster County
East Hempfield Twp
East Petersburg
East Stroudsburg
Elizabeth Township, Lancaster County
Elizabethtown
Ephrata (14 responses tallied)
Fort Zeller Road, Newmanstown
Franklin County, PA
Greencastle, PA
Harrisburg
Heidelberg, Berks
Hollidaysburg
Houston, TX
Indiana
Indiana County, PA
Jackson Township (4 responses tallied)
Jackson Twp; Richland
Lancaster (9 responses tallied)
Lancaster County (21 responses tallied)
Lancaster Township
Lebanon (23 responses tallied)
Leesport (2 responses tallied)
Leola
Lititz (15 responses tallied)

Manheim (4 responses tallied)
Manheim Twp
Marietta
Marion Township (2 responses tallied)
Maryland (2 responses tallied)
Millbach
Millcreek Township (8 responses tallied)
Montgomery County
Morgantown
Mount Gretna (2 responses tallied)
Mt. Zion
Myerstown (22 responses tallied)
New Cumberland
New Holland (2 responses tallied)
New Jersey (2 responses tallied)
New Providence, PA
New York (2 responses tallied)
Newmanstown (7 responses tallied)
North Carolina (2 responses tallied)
North Cornwall (3 responses tallied)
North Heidelberg Twp
North Lebanon Twp (5 responses tallied)
Ohio
Out of state
Penryn
Perry County
Philadelphia
Pittsburgh
Pleasantville, PA
Quarryville
Quentin (2 responses tallied)
Reading
Reinholds (3 responses tallied)
Rexmont (2 responses tallied)
Richland (8 responses tallied)
Richmond, VA
Rothsville
Schuylkill County (2 responses tallied)
Shippensburg
South Annville
South Hanover
South Lebanon Township (16 responses tallied)
South Lebanon/Philly
Southampton (Bucks Co)
Stevens, PA
Strasburg, PA (2 responses tallied)

Tuplehocken Twp, Berks
Upper Leacock Twp
Virginia
Warwick Twp
West Cocalico Township, Lancaster County (4 responses tallied)
Wisconsin
Wolmelsdorf
York

3. If no, where did you move from? Person 2

Akron
Allentown
Annville
Annville and Richland
Atkinson, NH
Avon Heights, PA
Avondale
Barto
Berks County (6 responses tallied)
Bethel (5 responses tallied)
Blue Ball
Brecknock Twp, Lancaster County
Brickerville
Brownstown
Clay Township, Lancaster County (2 responses tallied)
Cleona Borough
Cocalico
Columbia, PA
Cornwall Borough (3 responses tallied)
Danville
Denver, PA (2 responses tallied)
Earl Township, Lancaster County
East Cocalico Twp
East Earl Township , Lancaster County (3 responses tallied)
East Petersburg
Elizabeth Township, Lancaster County
Elverson
Ephrata (15 responses tallied)
Florida
Fort Zeller Road, Newmanstown
Fredericksburg (2 responses tallied)
Goshen, IN
Greencastle, PA
Heidelberg, Berks
Honey Brook
Houston, TX

Huntingdon County
Jackson Township (10 responses tallied)
Jackson Twp; Richland
Kutztown
Lancaster (9 responses tallied)
Lancaster County (20 responses tallied)
Lancaster Township
Landisville (2 responses tallied)
Lebanon (23 responses tallied)
Lebanon Co (2 responses tallied)
Lebanon, Myerstown
Leesport
Leola
Levittown, PA
Lititz (8 responses tallied)
Lititz - Penn Township
Manheim (2 responses tallied)
Marietta
Marion
Maryland (2 responses tallied)
Millbach
Millcreek Township (7 responses tallied)
Montgomery County
Mount Gretna (2 responses tallied)
Mt. Airy - Stevens
Mt. Zion
Myerstown (18 responses tallied)
New Cumberland
New Jersey (4 responses tallied)
New Providence, PA
New York
Newmanstown (7 responses tallied)
North Cornwall
North Lebanon (3 responses tallied)
North Lebanon Township
Ohio (2 responses tallied)
Olean, NY
Oley
Out of state
Philadelphia (2 responses tallied)
Pine Grove
Potter County
Pottsville
Quarryville
Reading (2 responses tallied)
Reinholds (4 responses tallied)

Rexmont
 Richland Borough (9 responses tallied)
 Richmond, VA
 Rothsville
 Schuylkill County
 Shippensburg
 South Hanover
 South Lebanon Twp (8 responses tallied)
 St. Clair
 Strasburg, PA
 Stroudsburg
 Sunbury
 Switzerland
 Terre Hill
 Tower City
 Tuplehocken Twp, Berks
 Upper Leacock Twp
 Virginia (3 responses tallied)
 Warwick Twp (2 responses tallied)
 Washington State
 West Cocalico Township, Lancaster County (6 responses tallied)
 Wisconsin
 Wolmelsdorf
 York

4. What is the age of the head of the household?

38.4%	181	65 Years and over
38.2%	180	45-64 Years
21.7%	102	25-44 Years
1.7%	8	18-24 Years

Section - PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

5. Which of the six regions of the Township is your property located in?

33.3%	161	1
8.5%	41	2
15.1%	73	3
11.2%	54	4
27.3%	132	5
4.6%	22	6

Comments/Notes for "1":

Land in Areas 1 and 4

Land in Areas 1 and 4

Land in Areas 1 and 5

On the edge - bordered by 2 and 4

Comments/Notes for "2":

Also 5?

Comments/Notes for "3":

And Area 1

Areas 3 and 4

6. How much land do you own in Heidelberg Township?

14.6%	71	Less than 1/2 acre
19.5%	95	1/2 to 1 acre
17.3%	84	1 to 2 acres
21.6%	105	2 to 5 acres
16.9%	82	6 to 24 acres
3.3%	16	25 to 49 acres
3.9%	19	50 to 100 acres
2.9%	14	More than 100 acres

Comments/Notes for "6 to 24 acres":

Total in five properties

Comments/Notes for "50 to 100 acres":

and less than 1 acre (area 1)

7. How is your property used?

65.1%	427	Residential
15.1%	99	Agriculture
11.4%	75	Woodland
3.4%	22	Recreation
3.2%	21	Commercial
0.9%	6	Intensive Agriculture
0.8%	5	Other
0.2%	1	Industrial

Comments/Notes:

Building lot

Industrial in Area 1; woodland in Area 5

Storage garages

Summer cabin

Wildlife/environmental conservation

Woodworking hobby shop

8. What is the most likely thing(s) that will happen to your land within the next 10 years? Person 1

72.9%	387	Remain in present ownership and in near present condition
13.4%	71	Sell as single parcel
9.6%	51	Transfer to heirs and remain in the family
1.7%	9	Preserve with conservation easements, etc.
1.1%	6	Other
0.8%	4	Subdivide and sell some lots
0.6%	3	Develop total parcel yourself

Comments/Notes:

Build house

Depends on neighbor's dogs

No idea ...

Not sure - we would like to but, if the Sunoco Pipe line goes through as proposed and we do not get properly compensated, we may sell and move due to the high taxes as well since 2012 reassessment.

Possible Doctor's Office expansion

Uncertain of rebuild after fire destroyed it

8. What is the most likely thing(s) that will happen to your land within the next 10 years? Person 2

74.9%	263	Remain in present ownership and in near present condition
13.4%	47	Sell as single parcel
7.1%	25	Transfer to heirs and remain in the family
2.3%	8	Preserve with conservation easements, etc.
1.1%	4	Other
0.9%	3	Develop total parcel yourself
0.3%	1	Subdivide and sell some lots

Comments/Notes:

Build house

If property taxes keep going up we will be forced to move.

Possible Doctor's Office expansion

Section - PUBLIC UTILITIES AND SERVICES

9. What is your primary water source?

31.5%	153	Public water
62.3%	302	Drilled well
2.9%	14	Hand-dug well
2.3%	11	Spring
1.0%	5	Other

Comments/Notes for "Drilled well":

and hand dug well

10. If you are not served by public water would you like to be?

95.7%	310	No
4.3%	14	Yes

Comments/Notes for "No":

Don't know, it would be better for having a sprinkler system installed.

10. Have you ever experienced periods when your spring or well ran dry?

98.8%	316	No
1.3%	4	Yes

Comments/Notes for "No":

But we did learn that well has low volume

10. If yes, does this occur often?

100%	3	No
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10. If yes, when does it occur?

No rain

Once every couple years - in the fall

Severe drought

11. What do you use for drinking?

22.8%	124	Public water
53.9%	293	Well water
20.6%	112	Bottled water
2.8%	15	Other

Comments/Notes:

Britta filtered
Distilled water
Filtered water (4)
Fridge filter
Have a purifier (2)
Reverse osmosis filtered (5)
Spring (4)
Spring water (2)
Too much chlorine added!
Water not fit to drink

12. What type of sewage disposal do you have?

43.8%	213	Public sewer
38.7%	188	Septic tank/drainfield
15.0%	73	Septic tank/sand mound
2.5%	12	Other

Comments/Notes for "Other":

Drip system
Holding tanks (2)
No sewer
No system (5)
Outhouse

Comments/Notes for "Public sewer":

Not by choice!!
Two houses on public sewer; one on holding tanks

13. Have you ever had any problems with your sewage disposal system?

95.6%	259	No
4.4%	12	Yes

Comments/Notes for "No":

Problems with County Sewage Officer - thinks he's God!

13. If yes, what kind of problem?

Broken pipes (2)

Needed to pump

Replaced distribution box

Replacement system installed in July 2012.

Slow drainage (3)

Sluggish drainfield. Septic tank was too small.

Some water surfacing

Wet spot

Wouldn't drain - insatlled new system.

14. What kind of community services should be added in the Township?

30.4%	185	Local Police
17.3%	105	Municipal (Curbside) Recycling
10.9%	66	Natural Gas
7.4%	45	Parks
6.6%	40	Recreation Center
5.4%	33	Senior Center
4.8%	29	Other
3.8%	23	Municipal Trash Collection
3.3%	20	Internet
3.3%	20	Outdoor Sports Facilities
2.1%	13	Public Transportation
2.0%	12	Community Meeting Facility
1.2%	7	Medical Center
0.7%	4	Cable TV
0.7%	4	State Police
0.3%	2	Ambulance

Comments/Notes:

A place to put yard rubbish - tree limbs, flowers, leaves

Bike trails

Branch library

Cell phone coverage
 Curbside yard/garden waste collection
 Fast Food- Wendys; FIOS
 Green pickup 2 times a year
 Green waste facility
 Grocery stores that are open on Sunday
 Leaf and branch collection
 Leaf/twigs/branches pick up at curbside - or place to dump in Township
 Library
 Local community playgrounds
 Maintain roads better
 More restaurants and gas stations
 Natural gas
 Park with playground/splash pool
 Pick up of leaves
 Playground; recycle center with 24/7 drop-off collection site; walking path
 Playgrounds
 Police department not needed - unless (?) expense
 Recycling facility for leaves, brush and yard waste
 Regional police force
 Skate park or some form of park for those children since the school took over and tore down the park - they have no place to play
 Something to attract outside people to the community - a family fun place; golf course
 Verizon mobile service
 Walking path
 Walking paths for seniors connecting east end to west end of Schaefferstown
 Walking/bicycling trails
 Walking/running trails

14. What kind of community services should be improved in the Township?

16.4%	49	Local Police
13.4%	40	Internet
12.7%	38	Parks
12.4%	37	State Police
7.4%	22	Cable TV
7.0%	21	Municipal (Curbside) Recycling

5.7%	17	Outdoor Sports Facilities
4.0%	12	Ambulance
4.0%	12	Fire
4.0%	12	Natural Gas
3.0%	9	Other
2.7%	8	Senior Center
2.3%	7	Recreation Center
2.0%	6	Municipal Trash Collection
1.3%	4	Public Transportation
1.0%	3	Community Meeting Facility
0.7%	2	Medical Center

Comments/Notes:

Bike trails

Cell phone service

Competition

Discontinue the Halloween parade because it is an open invitation for demonic presence and activity.

Leaf collection

Pave Old Mill Road

Snow plowing - our road is always icy and is last to be plowed, if at all.

Storm drains - they have all been covered over by blacktop. Reported 4 years ago to PennDot and Township. In Kville always floods the road of 897 and Millbach.

Walking/bicycling trails

Walking/running trails

Section - WORK

15. What is the primary occupation of each person in your home? Person 1

30.3%	143	Retired
12.1%	57	Construction
9.1%	43	Health Services
7.2%	34	Professional
6.6%	31	Farmer
5.9%	28	Management
4.4%	21	Manufacturing
4.2%	20	Education

4.0%	19	Sales
3.6%	17	Laborer
3.2%	15	Food Industry
3.0%	14	Other
2.5%	12	Service
2.3%	11	Delivery
0.8%	4	Homemaker
0.6%	3	Government

Comments/Notes for "Manufacturing":

Lumber/firewood

Comments/Notes for "Other":

Active duty military
 Animal health services
 Auto/truck technician
 Electrical
 HVAC Tech
 Lab technician
 Landscaper
 Landscaper
 Landscaping contractor
 Mechanic
 Office
 Self-employed
 Veterinarian
 Warehouse/truck driver

15. What is the primary occupation of each person in your home? Person 2

25.7%	88	Retired
17.2%	59	Homemaker
14.0%	48	Professional
8.5%	29	Education
5.0%	17	Sales
4.7%	16	Service
4.4%	15	Other
4.1%	14	Food Industry
4.1%	14	Health Services
3.5%	12	Manufacturing
2.9%	10	Laborer

2.0%	7	Farmer
2.0%	7	Management
0.9%	3	Construction
0.6%	2	Delivery
0.6%	2	Government

Comments/Notes for "Other":

Accountant
 Bank teller
 Banking
 Computer programmer
 Consultant
 Disabled
 Electrical
 Electrician
 Landscape contractor
 Mechanic
 Transportation
 Truck driver
 Turnpike maintenance/equipment operator
 Utility
 Work at home artist

Comments/Notes for "Service":

Hairdresser/salon owner

15. What is the primary occupation of each person in your home? Person 3

23.2%	13	Homemaker
16.1%	9	Laborer
10.7%	6	Service
8.9%	5	Professional
8.9%	5	Retired
7.1%	4	Education
7.1%	4	Sales
3.6%	2	Government
3.6%	2	Other
1.8%	1	
1.8%	1	Delivery
1.8%	1	Farmer
1.8%	1	Food Industry

1.8%	1	Health Services
1.8%	1	Manufacturing

Comments/Notes for "Other":

Pastor
Teacher/flight attendant

Comments/Notes for "Professional":

2 professional

16. Is your work located in ? Person 1

39.8%	134	Outside Lebanon County (in PA)
32.0%	108	Elsewhere in Lebanon County
25.5%	86	Heidelberg Township
2.7%	9	Outside Lebanon County (not in PA)

16. Is your work located in ? Person 2

37.2%	83	Outside Lebanon County (in PA)
30.9%	69	Elsewhere in Lebanon County
30.0%	67	Heidelberg Township
1.8%	4	Outside Lebanon County (not in PA)

16. Is your work located in ? Person 3

39.0%	16	Outside Lebanon County (in PA)
34.1%	14	Heidelberg Township
24.4%	10	Elsewhere in Lebanon County
2.4%	1	Outside Lebanon County (not in PA)

17. How do you get to work? Person 1

82.5%	269	Drive alone
12.0%	39	Work at home
2.5%	8	Carpool
2.5%	8	Walk/ride a bike
0.6%	2	Other

Comments/Notes for "Other":

Driven to work
Train

17. How do you get to work? Person 2

75.6%	164	Drive alone
22.6%	49	Work at home
1.4%	3	Carpool
0.5%	1	Walk/ride a bike

17. How do you get to work? Person 3

71.8%	28	Drive alone
25.6%	10	Work at home
2.6%	1	Carpool

Section - AGRICULTURE

18. What percentage of your family income would you say is derived from farming?

15.4%	12	100%
10.3%	8	76 - 99%
3.8%	3	51 - 75%
6.4%	5	26 - 50%
9.0%	7	11 - 25%
55.1%	43	1 - 10%

19. Do you consider yourself a full-time farmer?

81.5%	88	No
18.5%	20	Yes

20. How many acres (owned and rented) do you farm?

19.5%	17	More than 100
5.7%	5	76 - 100
1.1%	1	51 - 75
8.0%	7	26 - 50
18.4%	16	11 - 25
12.6%	11	6 - 10
34.5%	30	1 - 5

21. Should the Township do more to promote family-owned farms? Person 1

82.6%	246	Yes
17.4%	52	No

21. Should the Township do more to promote family-owned farms? Person 2

82.2%	175	Yes
17.8%	38	No

22. Should the Township invest some of its financial resources toward the purchase of agricultural easements?

Person 1

53.6%	143	Yes
46.4%	124	No

22. Should the Township invest some of its financial resources toward the purchase of agricultural easements?

Person 2

54.3%	107	Yes
45.7%	90	No

23. Are intensive agricultural operations in the Township of concern to you? Person 1

39.9%	119	Yes
60.1%	179	No

23. Are intensive agricultural operations in the Township of concern to you? Person 2

41.7%	88	Yes
58.3%	123	No

Section - FUTURE DEVELOPMENT

24. If more homes are built in the Township, what type of residential development are you in favor of? Person 1

48.4%	386	Single-family dwellings
15.5%	124	In retirement communities
11.7%	93	In developments that are a mixture of single-family homes, townhouses and apartments, with areas of open space
9.3%	74	Duplex and two-family dwellings
8.3%	66	Townhouse dwellings
4.5%	36	Apartment dwellings
1.8%	14	In mobile home parks
0.6%	5	Other:

Comments/Notes:

Farms

NO APARTMENTS IN TWP!

NO PUBLIC HOUSING!

Over 55 Community

Owner occupied

24. If more homes are built in the Township, what type of residential development are you in favor of? Person 2

51.0%	293	Single-family dwellings
15.9%	91	In retirement communities
11.8%	68	In developments that are a mixture of single-family homes, townhouses and apartments, with areas of open space
8.7%	50	Duplex and two-family dwellings
7.3%	42	Townhouse dwellings
3.8%	22	Apartment dwellings
1.0%	6	In mobile home parks
0.3%	2	Other:

Comments/Notes:

Eco-friendly homes
Over 55 Community

24. If further residential development occurs in the Township, where should it occur? Person 1

52.2%	304	In areas served/proposed to be served by public water and sewer
18.6%	108	In areas where on-lot water supply (wells) is not limited
17.0%	99	In areas where on lot sewage disposal is not limited by soils and/or high nitrates
11.3%	66	Anywhere in the Township, without restrictions
0.9%	5	Other

Comments/Notes:

DICTATED BY DEVELOPERS AND NEIGHBORS

In areas where it doesn't affect the beauty of the country side on land that is not being farmed.

In Lancaster County

Keep the community small.

On land not suitable for farming

Only on 1 acre single dwelling development

24. If further residential development occurs in the Township, where should it occur? Person 2

54.2%	218	In areas served/proposed to be served by public water and sewer
17.9%	72	In areas where on lot sewage disposal is not limited by soils and/or high nitrates
17.9%	72	In areas where on-lot water supply (wells) is not limited
9.7%	39	Anywhere in the Township, without restrictions
0.2%	1	Other

Comments/Notes:

On land not suitable for farming

25. Do you feel there is a need for more business (commercial) locations in the Township? Person 1

50.3%	223	No
49.7%	220	Yes

Comments/Notes for "No":

LET THE MARKET WORK

Property such as the distillery could be re-developed.

25. Do you feel there is a need for more business (commercial) locations in the Township? Person 2

52.6%	172	No
47.4%	155	Yes

25. If yes, what type? Person 1

23.7%	147	Services (restaurants, gas stations, etc.)
17.1%	106	Home-Based Service Businesses
14.2%	88	Home-Based Retail Businesses
11.4%	71	Neighborhood Shopping (small shopping centers)
10.8%	67	Office Uses (professional, medical, etc.)
9.5%	59	Landscaping/construction businesses
9.3%	58	Convenience Stores
2.4%	15	Regional Shopping (Walmart, etc.)
1.6%	10	Other

Comments/Notes:

A bigger gas station/restaurant @ 501/897/419 - with restrooms!

Businesses that could help offset property taxes for current residents without destroying the beauty of our small town.

Businesses that will bring in jobs and provide additional revenue to the Township in terms of taxes, permits, etc.

Drug store
 Fast food
 Golf course
 McDonald's; Sheetz
 Pharmacy
 Pharmacy store
 Regional grocery store (Weis)
 Sheetz
 Updated gas station
 Wine and spirits; beer distributor
 Wish we had a drug store (in the Dutchway Mall) - must drive for prescriptions.

25. If yes, what type? Person 2

24.4%	99	Services (restaurants, gas stations, etc.)
17.0%	69	Home-Based Service Businesses
14.8%	60	Home-Based Retail Businesses
11.1%	45	Neighborhood Shopping (small shopping centers)
10.6%	43	Office Uses (professional, medical, etc.)
9.4%	38	Landscaping/construction businesses
8.9%	36	Convenience Stores
3.4%	14	Regional Shopping (Walmart, etc.)
0.5%	2	Other

Comments/Notes:

Grocery store
 Gym or walking path

25. If you favor additional commercial development, where should it occur?

501
 501 north and south; zone 1
 501 or 897
 501/419
 501/897
 501/897 adjoining Schaefferstown; also between old 501 and new 501 south of Region 1
 Along 422
 Along 501 (4 responses tallied)

Along 501 between Wengers of Myerstown and South to red light at 419/501/897.

Along 501 North

Along 501/897/419

Along main roads in town served by water and sewer. Not tear up good farmland.

Along Main Street - think Lititz

Along major highways

Along major routes - 501, 897, 419

Along state roads; utilize existing buildings

Along the main roads (897, 501)

Anywhere - as long as no farmland is used.

Area 2

Area 2 on the map

As far from our home as possible.

Away from farm or woodlands as much as possible

Away from the center of town. Too much traffic already.

Between Schaefferstown and Myerstown on 501.

Close to major road intersections and along 501 N, 897 N, 419 E.

Close to Schaefferstown on the north side of 501.

Commercial area outside of town

Dutchway area

Heidelberg Avenue

In and around Schaeffertown

In barns

In homes/residential areas or where zoned for commercial

In Schaefferstown or along 501

In some of the older buildings and where there is sewer

In the lot where 897 and 501 meet were Keller Bro now own.

In town or close to Region 1

In town proper or within one mile of town

In town.

Integrated, mixed use - with adequate infrastructure.

Large gas station near intersection of 501, 897, 419

Larger gas station than Speedway - in close proximity to Speedway.

Let's not make this community like Lititz to Lancaster on 501 or 72. Takes forever to travel. Their answer to traffic control is red lights. The Townships have out of control development without regard to working people.

Main street? In more commercial areas
 Near existing urbanized area
 Near major roads and towns
 Near towns – S-town or K-ville
 New gas station - replace Speedway building. Upgrade PLEASE!
 NEW JERSEY
 Next to the Dutchway center
 Not in Heidelberg Twp
 Off 501
 On 501
 On the edges of the town
 On the outskirts of town - not in town - but that brings more people. Will need a policeman in Stown then!
 Outlying areas.
 Outskirts of town
 Probably along Rt 501 or 897. Since these are the major roadways through the Township.
 Region 5
 Route 501
 Scattered
 Schaefferstown
 We need a Sheetz instead of that small Speedway.
 West and north of Schaefferstown
 Where building already - not on farmland.
 Where we don't lose farmland.
 Within Area 1
 Zone 1
 Zones 1,2,5

26. Should there be additional industrial development in the Township? Person 1

65.4%	280	No
34.6%	148	Yes

Comments/Notes for "Yes":

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26. Should there be additional industrial development in the Township? Person 2

69.9%	223	No
30.1%	96	Yes

26. If yes, what type of industrial development? Person 1

43.1%	127	Small scale (machine shops, etc.)
33.6%	99	Low impact (electronics/high tech)
15.6%	46	Warehousing
7.1%	21	"Heavy" industrial
0.7%	2	Other

Comments/Notes:

Anything that will bring money into the community.

Farm based and home based

No large scale operations.

26. If yes, what type of industrial development? Person 2

46.5%	80	Small scale (machine shops, etc.)
34.3%	59	Low impact (electronics/high tech)
14.5%	25	Warehousing
4.7%	8	"Heavy" industrial

26. If you favor additional industrial development, where should it occur?

1, 5, 2, 4

501 north and south

501/897

897 in the Kleingeltersville area.

Along 501

Along 501 - 422

Along main roads near town. Not tear up good farmland.

Along major highways

Along major highways (897, 419, 501).

Along major roads

Along state roads; utilize existing buildings

Also west and north of Schaefferstown

Any place with "common sense" zoning

Anywhere along the main roads, or properly accessible to them

Areas that are zoned for industrial use.

As close to the city area as possible

As zoned

Away from the village areas

Beside Dutchway or Ag Fence

Between Schaefferstown and Myerstown on 501.

Close to main roads.

Close to major road intersections and along 501 N, 897 N, 419 E.

Everywhere

Fill our current Industrial Zoning - then stop

In "town"

In and around Schaefferstown

In Area 5 on the map

In area zoned for industrial.

In industrial zoned land or group developments

In or close to region 1

In or near Schaefferstown

In town or connected

In town.

Just north of Schaefferstown off of 501.

Main roadways

Michter's Distillery land.

Near existing urbanized area

near major roads and towns

Near or along main roads.

NEW JERSEY

North of Schaefferstown

Not in favor. Lebanon has many brownfields that could be revamped for development. (Too many empty, dilapidated buildings near the railroad line.)

Not near towns

On the edges of the town

On the northern side of Prescott Road.

Open real estate not needed for farms

Other than farmland or woodlands

Outside of the historic district, preferably along 501 North.

Outside of town; some- but limited

Outside of village

Outskirts of town

Region 2

Reuse of previous businesses.

Where feasible (land use, access, etc.) and adequate infrastructure

Within town limits

Within Area 1

Zone 1 area, Dutchway and Keystone Fence area

Zones 2 and 3

27. Should the Township take greater efforts to preserve/protect agricultural lands? Person 1

80.3%	363	Yes
13.3%	60	No Opinion
6.4%	29	No

27. Should the Township take greater efforts to preserve/protect agricultural lands? Person 2

80.1%	258	Yes
14.0%	45	No Opinion
5.9%	19	No

27. Should the Township take greater efforts to preserve/protect historical resources? Person 1

74.3%	315	Yes
18.2%	77	No Opinion
7.5%	32	No

27. Should the Township take greater efforts to preserve/protect historical resources? Person 2

76.0%	237	Yes
17.0%	53	No Opinion
7.1%	22	No

27. Should the Township take greater efforts to preserve/protect woodlands? Person 1

79.1%	336	Yes
15.5%	66	No Opinion
5.4%	23	No

27. Should the Township take greater efforts to preserve/protect woodlands? Person 2

80.7%	251	Yes
14.1%	44	No Opinion
5.1%	16	No

27. Should the Township take greater efforts to preserve/protect natural areas? Person 1

75.9%	325	Yes
18.5%	79	No Opinion
5.6%	24	No

27. Should the Township take greater efforts to preserve/protect natural areas? Person 2

77.8%	242	Yes
16.7%	52	No Opinion
5.5%	17	No

Section - LEISURE AND RECREATION

28. How often do you use public parks in the Township?

62.5%	293	Seldom
17.5%	82	Never
10.9%	51	Often
9.2%	43	If never, why not:

Comments/Notes for "If never, why not:"

Are there any?

Didn't know where there was one.

Do not have time

Do not need!

Don't need

Do not know where their location is.

Enjoy our own back yard.

Every weekend/Sunday is covered with people at the ball fields.

Facilities should be provided for persons and children not interested in sports.

Just don't bother - need a place I can take my dogs!

Lots of area already "park like" located throughout the township.

Love Fountain Park but it is too marshy. Other parks don't offer much.

Live in an open space area

Middlecreek is available
 No children
 No hiking/biking trails, dog park.
 No need
 Not enough offered
 Not much of a park
 Not private enough
 Nothing to offer - I go to Lititz, Elizabeth Township
 Other than the ball diamond by Twp building we are unaware of anything.
 Poor facilities; no playground equipment
 Simply enjoy my own property
 The park torn down
 The Township has public parks??
 There are no public parks - the children need one.
 There are no swings for my grandchildren.
 There are not any that suit our interests (hiking, biking).
 There is no playground for kids.
 They are not handicap accessible
 They are not very big
 Too busy (2)
 Too old (2)
 Used to use elementary school playground
 What park??? (2)
 What parks???
 Where is one?
 With 1 1/2 acres of land why do I need to go to a park?

Comments/Notes for "Often":

Less since the school was sold

Comments/Notes for "Seldom":

Besides Fountain Park, what else is there?

29. Do you believe that Heidelberg Township needs more public park land? Person 1

62.5%	270	No
37.5%	162	Yes

Comments/Notes for "No":

Parks need to be maintained which takes money out of taxpayers pockets. stop spending our money.

29. Do you believe that Heidelberg Township needs more public park land? Person 2

59.8%	192	No
40.2%	129	Yes

29. What type of public parkland is needed? Person 1

40.0%	78	Expand existing parks
35.9%	70	Smaller neighborhood-oriented parks
24.1%	47	Larger centrally located parks

Comments/Notes:

Country setting and the people

29. What type of public parkland is needed? Person 2

38.7%	55	Expand existing parks
37.3%	53	Smaller neighborhood-oriented parks
23.9%	34	Larger centrally located parks

30. Identify the three (3) types of additional recreation facilities that you feel are most needed in Heidelberg Township. Person 1

13.0%	137	Paved jogging/walking/biking trails
10.4%	110	Children's playground
9.8%	103	Interconnected trail system
9.6%	101	Preserved natural areas
7.0%	74	Unpaved trails
6.4%	67	Picnic area and pavilions
5.1%	54	Mountain bike trails
3.9%	41	After school activities
3.5%	37	Tennis courts
2.9%	31	Baseball/softball fields
2.8%	30	Dog park
2.7%	28	Outdoor swimming
2.2%	23	Horse riding trails
2.1%	22	Indoor swimming
2.0%	21	Ice skating facility

2.0%	21	Outdoor basketball
1.9%	20	Teen center
1.8%	19	Golf course/driving range
1.8%	19	Other
1.6%	17	Volleyball courts
1.4%	15	Performing arts space
1.3%	14	Football/soccer fields
1.3%	14	Skate park
1.2%	13	Indoor basketball
1.1%	12	Snowmobile trails
1.0%	11	Street hockey arena

Comments/Notes:

A multi-use community center for all age groups would be a nice thing in the community - with structured programs for youth. (

Bike lanes on 501, 897, 419

Bike lanes on public streets

Community Center, Senior Center

Cooperate with neighboring communities for indoor rec center (like Lititz)

Dark Sky area - for astronomy

Fitness center

Full service gym

Historical trail

Indoor rec building; lights for nighttime play

Local community places for young people (like "On Fire Youth Ministry")

NON PUBLIC FUNDED!

Normal bike paths

Pickle ball courts

Senior center

Splash pond

Things to do - period.

Where any age could skate, ride bicycles, skateboards, or just hang out to have good clean fun.

Widen 897/419/501 shoulders for rad bikes, horses, walkers

30. Identify the three (3) types of additional recreation facilities that you feel are most needed in Heidelberg Township. Person 2

16.5%	117	Paved jogging/walking/biking trails
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10.3%	73	Children's playground
9.4%	67	Interconnected trail system
9.4%	67	Preserved natural areas
8.3%	59	Unpaved trails
6.8%	48	Picnic area and pavilions
4.4%	31	Mountain bike trails
3.8%	27	After school activities
3.5%	25	Dog park
3.5%	25	Tennis courts
3.4%	24	Outdoor swimming
2.7%	19	Indoor swimming
2.1%	15	Horse riding trails
2.0%	14	Baseball/softball fields
1.8%	13	Ice skating facility
1.8%	13	Volleyball courts
1.5%	11	Teen center
1.4%	10	Other
1.4%	10	Performing arts space
1.3%	9	Outdoor basketball
1.0%	7	Indoor basketball
1.0%	7	Snowmobile trails
0.8%	6	Golf course/driving range
0.8%	6	Skate park
0.7%	5	Football/soccer fields
0.4%	3	Street hockey arena

Comments/Notes:

Bike lanes on 501, 897, 419

Community Center, Senior Center

Gym - like the Lititz Rec Center

Historical trail

Multiuse courts (basketball/skate/street hockey)

Senior center (2)

Things to do - period

Where any age could skate, ride bicycles, skateboards, or just hang out to have good clean fun.

31. What group(s) in the Township do you believe most need(s) more recreation opportunities? Person 1

20.4%	152	Young Teens (13-14)
19.5%	145	Teens (15-19)
16.9%	126	Children (5-12)
16.1%	120	Seniors (55+)
13.4%	100	Adults
8.5%	63	Preschoolers (0-4)
4.3%	32	Disabled persons
0.9%	7	Other

Comments/Notes:

ALL! (2)

Go look at most public parks - they are empty most of the time.

Improved sidewalks with access for wheelchairs.

None

Pet Owners - Check out the dog park at F&M College in Lancaster.

THIS IS FAMILY FUNCTIONAL

31. What group(s) in the Township do you believe most need(s) more recreation opportunities? Person 2

19.8%	102	Young Teens (13-14)
19.2%	99	Teens (15-19)
17.8%	92	Children (5-12)
15.5%	80	Seniors (55+)
13.4%	69	Adults
9.5%	49	Preschoolers (0-4)
4.3%	22	Disabled persons
0.6%	3	Other

Comments/Notes:

All

Children and youth need "safe" places to play

None

32. What is the single most important improvement that could be made to the Township's parks, recreation facilities or recreation program offerings?

220 amp service in the pavilion

A children's playground

A playground

A veterans monument and the Lioness are looking for a place
Activities for children and teens ages 5-19 years and for seniors 65 and older
Add a volleyball sand court with picnic area
Add more equipment for children to play on! Summertime playground activities!
Add more fields. We are down one field since the sale of the elementary, so our families have to play/travel to Newmanstown, Richland and Myerstown to play any form of baseball/basketball.
Add restrooms
Adult supervision by people who care about their community.
Advertisement (are there parks?)
Advertisement of what facilities or programs are available.
Advertising of what's available and when and how you can use things.
Again, other than the baseball diamond, we are unaware of anything else.
All is good
Areas and playgrounds for children. Trails for walking and biking.
Awesome playgrounds
Bathrooms; drinking water
Better lawns
Better service for 13-19 year olds - e.g., skate board park
Bike paths - so children and adults can walk and ride bikes to the parks on high traffic roads (419 and 501).
Bike/walking trails
Biking/hiking trails
Buildup a sense of community
Centrally located playground and walkways; well lit and safe and clean and away from traffic!!!
Children's playground
Childs playground. Make community family friendly to encourage growth!
Cleanup; picnic facility
Communications
Community friendly. R+things to help meet neighbors and form bonds, friendships.
Continue proper maintenance of facilities
Create a facility like Lititz or Ephrata Rec Associations. Team up with surrounding communities.
Create more - do we have any?
Cutting the grass and keeping it weed free.
Don't know
Don't use often
Enough volunteers

Expand parks

Expanded fields. More recreation for kids and teens.

Family-friendly palyground for young children

Facility for teens/young folks

Fix up existing parks.

Fountain Park structures need replaced w/ new equipment.

Get new Supervisors.

Good maintenance

Have a central location that offers similar options like South Hill Park, but smaller scale. A place for the youth and elderly to exercise, etc.

Have a rec association board

Have parks available without crossing a major highway.

Having a Rec Center, like Ephrata does, for use of the whole community.

Having them!

Hockey rink

Hoking up if possible with the rail trail in Cornwall.

Improve the basketball courts and we need walking trails connected to the other trails in Lebanon County.

Improving current parks

Include bike trails

Incorporate a children's area now that the school is gone.

Indoor winter facility.

Install apark

Interconnected trail system - connect to rail trail in Cornwall.

Keep it to a minimum. Please keep taxes low!

Keep up what is already established.

Keep wooded areas.

Land for walking/jogging (paved paths) and for picnics and open space. Plant trees more. Similar to South Hils Park in Lebanon.

Leave well enough alone!

Let's use what we have.

Low cost improvements. Maintain existing recreation areas. Already have baseball, basketball, softball available.

Maintain existing facilities at current status. No additional facilities needed - Govt funding means taxpayer funding. Its usually done this way.

More availability

More handicap friendly

More indoor and outdoor facilities.

More info - where and what is there.

More involvement from clubs (Lions), Fire Company, churches in sponsoring and supporting teams for children. Allowing scouts, etc. to meet in church social halls, fire company banquet facility, etc.

More involvement from community members - need more publicity on these areas - get Lion Club, Fire Company, churches to participate

More places to walk safely.

More state game land for hunting

Much needed: a playground area for families

Multidimensional (preschool and elementary) play area/play ground; swings, slides, climb over, under, thru

Need a new rec area that's located where children don't have to cross any major roads to access.

Need fields - currently driving to Myerstown.

Need updates. Over 55 or senior center

Nice places to walk.

No opinion

No public owned playground or tennis court.

No thoughts. Keep present areas clean.

None (4 responses tallied)

NONE. Save the taxpayers please!

Offering of organized/guided activities for all ages. A building/rec center for the community.

Options for teens to keep them occupied.

Organize programs to use existing facilities

Parking, advertisement

Parks - equipment

Paved trails; walking trails

Pavilions

Planting more trees

Play equipment, swings, etc.

Playground

Playground - something like at old school

Playground = expanded offerings

Playground for kids or young teens.

Playground for the kids.

Playground, walking trail

Police patrols

Pools

Possibly making them a little bigger for families.

Provide places for youth/teens to have activities.

Publish activities; senior programs.

Put a playground for children at Schaefferstown Park!

Refurbish/maintenance of outdoor basketball court

Repair tennis courts; purchase more land for additional choices

Restrooms and lighting

Safe walking paths. Sidewalk access for handicapped and seniors.

Safe, well-lighted playground.

Safety and cleanliness

Security

Senior citizens activities (minigolf, etc.)

Shade trees

Should be year round

Since the school was sold, the Mennoites took away the playground, why bother.

So sad, we need a playground

Start up a recreation league with a committee, etc. Have basketball indoor program for young adults. Keep bathrooms (outdooe) CLEAN! Programs for seniors.

Street lights around parks.

Swimming pool

Tennis courtst

Tennis courts; playground; clean up basketball court on municipal land.

That they be well kept.

The current areas are not maintained or improved. We have a great walk/riding trail but it gets overgrown or eroded and is not maintained. It cost sless to maintain than build new.

The most important concern is the cost of any programs. Please allow the residnts to donate to recreation programs if they wish to. If funds are received, propose improvements using the funds available.

They are already improved

To maintain what we have

Town playground

Trail system.

Trails

Trails - walking, biking, etc.

Update and maintain existing parks

Updated restrooms

Upgrade so that families would WANT to rent facilities for gatherings.

Upgrade them

Upkeep (2 responses tallied)

Upkeep and tidiness

Variety, upkeep and easy access.

Walking and biking trails that are maintained and usable. Maintaining safe access around town and to parks.

Walking trails (2 responses tallied)

Walking/running path/trails; playground

We could really use a nice public playground

We could use a skate park or a regular playground.

We need a public playground.

We need some type of playground, like the playground we used to have back in the 50s and 60s

We'd love to have a park areas with slides and such for children.

What parks?

Section - QUALITY OF LIFE ISSUES

33. What do you like most about Heidelberg Township?

897 repaved from Schaefferstown to Flintville.

A good place to live, but our freedoms are being challenged.

Agricultural farm land with Amish horse carriages.

Almost everything!

Beautiful scenery, farmland, tranquility

Beauty, quiet, safe

Central location

Central location to Lancaster, Lebanon, Reading, Hershey

Christian values are still respected.

Clean, conservative area

Close knit community

Close to major town/cities to get to work.

Close to Middle Creek

Coming home to a beautiful small town. Think it is well run. Feel very blessed to be part of it.

Common sense approach of Supervisors to building plans.

Community camaraderie.

Counrty feel; laid back lifestyle.

Country - backwoods - effect/feeling

Country feel with farmland. Friendly, small town atmosphere.

Country living (2 responses tallied)

Country setting

Country, but convenient to almost any needs.

Countryside; beautiful scenery!

Dutchway and Good's Store. Middle Creek Lake.

Easy access to church, post office and Dutchway shopping mall!

Efficiency of road crew. Commuting to Lancaster County, I know when I'm out of Heidelberg during a snow event.

Everyone knows each other.

Fairly quiet

Family oriented area not overrun by city.

Farming

Farming and woodland areas

Farmland (2 responses tallied)

Farmland - quiet atmosphere

Feeling of rural Americana - which is becoming a rarity these days due to increasing residential and commercial/industrial development.

Free to live as we please

Friendly folks; minimal amount of minorities, slums, rirraft (sic)

Friendly people who care about each other; historical background; quiet

Good agricultural community

Good neighbors

Good snow removal in winter.

Historic town; scenic views; picturesque farm dwellings

Historic town. Lots of agricultural and semi-wooded areas.

Historic village

Historic; small community

Historical buildings

Historical, natural wildlife areas, farm land and small town feel.

Historical. Small town.

History, quiet, quaint

How rural it is.

How the Township maintains the area.

How they plow and salt their roads during the winter.

I have been here all my life. It's home.

I like being able to see the country around me/mountains - air is fresh, no city to deter star gazing, bird watching, etc.

I like the small village. Do not want to become a larger more developed area.

I like that it is a small town with a lot of history. Sense of community.

I like the rural, historic, small-town atmosphere.

I live in town and very much enjoy the social life that comes with it. We live on a popular walking block and have the pleasure of conversation with many people young and old.

I used to like it because it was old fashion (sic).

I was glad to come back to the area I was raised in and felt welcomed, but I must say between the more than doubling of my taxes and the sewer whihc I was not followed through as stated on the depth of digging by construction which cost me more than double. I feel that the Township left a lot of people down.

Interwoven with good state roads. Close to home business/family supply (doctors, shopping, services). Quiet, low level of commercialization. Few malls, chain stores, chain restaurants.

Isolation - being left alone.

ISSUES with 897 [attached questionnaire]

It has variety of lay outs

It is closest I have found to home (Potter County) away from home.

It is not a city; it is more rural. Its quite; not loud. It has farm land and woodland; lots of nature to enjoy.

It is quiet where we live.

It is rural yet close enough to essential services.

It is still fairly rural - quiet.

It just feels like home. We have local stores for groceries, hardware, material and more.

It's a beautiful, historic town

It's a farming community.

It's a pretty safe place.

It's a small community. Needs to be kept that way.

It's a small quiet town with understanding township personnel to work woth.

It's a small town; quiet

It's a special community! Love th eopen areas, lack of housing developments and more rural atmosphere. Outdoorsmen appreciate it too.

It's more peaceful than lots of other areas.

It's NOT Lancaster County. Lack of excessive development.

It's peaceful

It's quiet

It's rural (2 responses tallied)

It's small town quiet atmosphere.

It's still rural

Its a beautiful spot. We aren't in a crowded, industrial, polluted area.

Its a great area to reside. We have most needed amenities to maintain a good/simple life.

Its a nice little town.

Its peaceful and not crowded with dizzy broads and annoying people.

Its quiet and private. Keep it that way!

Its rural and woodland areas and the potential for a commnuity around Schaefferstown.

Its rural atmosphere, open spaces, people not minding my business all the time.

Its rural setting

Its where are (sic) family roots are!

Just a neat place to live.

Keep it like it is!

Keep it rural

Lack of commercial and industrial development.

Lack of townhouses, condos and limited apartments - and no trailer parks.

Lack of traffic compared to surrounding counties.

Laid back small town feel. Please no shopping centers. Small family owned businesses would be fine.

Laid back; closeness

Little Township intervention.

Living in a quiet mountain home, 400 feet off the road. See lots of wildlife all year long.

Living in the woods

Living next to Mill Creek and farms.

Location - close to Lebanon, Myerstown, Lancaster County

Location to Lebanon, Lancaster and Rreading

Lots of farm land

Low crime

Low crime and rural lifestyle

Low development

Middle Creek Wildlife Areas (3 responses tallied)

Minimal government - though that seems to be in days gone by noew.

Most people know one another - safe.

Mostly quiet and peaceful. Well maintained public facilities,

My home since I was young and newly married! Love the countryside and would like to keep it that way!

Not built shut!

Natural beauty/scenery; agricultural areas; natural areas (wildlife, etc.)

Neighborliness - folks care about each other and help when needed. Still rural feeling, small, quaint town; historical

New 501 road into Schaeffertown

Nice location; extremely good maintenance; very clean and neat

Nice small town

Nice, small friendly community, great place to raise children.

No low income housing. Maintain small town environment. Peace and quiet. No natural gas pipeline.

Non-city living.

Noncommercial

Not much developed. Mostly rural. Let us keep it that way.

Not over developed

Not overly developed like Lancaster and Berks Counties.

Number of homes

Open space

Open space; farming community

Open spaces, not so much traffic but its getting worse.

Peace - quiet - scenery

Peace and quiet (3 responses tallied)

Peace, privacy and quiet

Peaceful

Peaceful country life

Peaceful living

People (3 responses tallied)

People friendly

Privacy, quiet, low taxes. non-intrusive government.

Quaint, historical but yet progressive community.

Quaint. Small

Quaintness of the small historical village.

Quaintness, old-time/family feel; agriculture and development

Quaintness; small town feel; surrounding agricultural land; natural areas

Quality of life and people

Quality of life and rural setting; easy access to medical and retail businesses.

Quiet (7 responses tallied)

Quiet - very rural

Quiet and country setting

Quiet and friendly
Quiet and quaint
Quiet area
Quiet country living.
Quiet country setting and the people
Quiet residential area
Quiet rural setting
Quiet town
Quiet, country farm life
Quiet, historical, rural
Quiet, laid back
Quiet, open community
Quiet, peaceful
Quiet, rural community
Quiet, rural lifestyle
Quiet, rural, picturesque, small town feel.
Quiet, rural, small, clean
Quiet, slower paced.
Quiet; historical; quaint
Quiet; little traffic
Quiet; location
Quiet/beautiful
Quiet/conservative area.
Quiet. Scenery (farmland and trees). Small town feel.
Quietness (2 responses tallied)
Quietness; scenery
Relative quiet, low crime
Relaxed living
Remoteness - solitude - farmland. Nondevelopments.
Road maintenance - do a good job in the winter.
Rural (3 responses tallied)
Rural area (4 responses tallied)
Rural areas; peaceful; quiet
Rural but it is open minded to most businesses.
Rural community feel; friendly; low population

Rural community, monthly recycling. All the local stores, businesses and the bank.

Rural community. Limited government; limited rules and regulations.

Rural environment; underdeveloped - no housing developments; natural areas (woodlands, gamelands); agriculture, small farms; Amish friendly; NO FAST FOOD; NO TRAFFIC LIGHTS; LOW CRIME

Rural feel

Rural feel and location

Rural heritage

Rural life, home town feel, peace and quiet

Rural lifestyle (5 responses tallied)

Rural lifestyle. Open space.

Rural living

Rural setting

Rural, authentic farming community.

Rural, low crime

Rural, quiet community

Rural, scenic landscape

Rural, single family dwellings. Local heritage with respectfulness.

Rural, small town

Rural, small town setting

Rural, small, with easy access to highways and shopping.

Rural, yet close to town/shopping.

Rural; farming

Rural; historic; small town resources; attitude.

Rural; quiet; not crowded; slower pace

Rural/low taxes

Safe area

Sense of community, rural setting, but with basic needs, facilities closeby for all. Peace, quiet, serenity.

Sense of community, small town atmosphere.

Sense of history. (Sometimes, not always) sense of community. Size

Serenity

Since it's become the most expensive Township to live in in Lebanon County, I don't know!

Size; lack of development; long time residents

Small

Small ag town.

Small and rural

Small businesses and rural setting
Small community (2 responses tallied)
Small community lifestyle.
Small community No Newburg Villages.
Small community with family type atmosphere (that would be ruined by townhouses that in 10 years will bring in low income people from surrounding areas).
Small enough to know your neighbors. People who care about our town.
Small rural community, let's keep it that way.
Small town (4 responses tallied)
Small town
Small town / rural characteristics.
Small town and rural areas
Small town and rural.
Small town atmosphere
Small town atmosphere; rural area; historic Schaefferstown
Small town atmosphere. The lack of big box stores.
Small town country atmospher. Good people. Decent roads. Safe place for children.
Small town feel (3 responses tallied)
Small town feel, however the open spaces that drew us to the area 20 years ago are closing in us.
Small town feel. Farming Community. Rural area.
Small town feel. Good sense of community.
Small town feel. Great community and people.
Small town lifestyle (2 responses tallied)
Small town living (3 responses tallied)
Small town rural area; great agricultural areas; peace and quiet areas
Small town, open countryside, farms
Small town; agricultural (family farms).
Small town; quiet
Small town; rural setting
Small town; safe
Small town/rural lifestyles
Small towns.
Small, country style atmosphere.
Small, country, farming community
Small, hometown feel

Small, quiet town

Small, quiet, quaint

Small, quiet; lack of development

Small, quietness, friendliness, etc., of residents.

Snow removal

Sensible people. "Home Sweet Home"

Space

Space; quiet

Still one of the few twps left with open land.

Surrounding farm land

That it's rural. Lots of farmland.

Taxes are lower. It is quiet. Low crime rate.

That it is a small community without too many housing developments or stores. We have just what we need.

That it is quiet and the houses are well kept up.

That it's not turning into a Lancaster, where development runs wild.

The "ruralness"

The area, quiet and peaceful, the fact that it is not overdeveloped. We came from Ephrata which is now way over-developed so we were looking for an area like Heidelberg Township to settle.

The beauty of the trees in the fall. The quietness.

The Christian like atmosphere.

The country area

The country atmosphere. Small town feel.

The country feel; location; people; farm land

The country feel. The seclusion of this area.

The country setting and privacy.

The country side

The countryside and woods.

The ease of getting building permits

The farm areas and the awesome rural living very nice quiet town. Let's keep it like that we do need a police office.

The freedoms that we have thanks to God and the Constitution

The history and agriculture.

The long time residents take pride in their property and its appearance.

The open countryside

The peace, quiet, serenity of the community. Close proximity to Lebanon, Lancaster and Reading areas.

The people (2 responses tallied)

The plain communities

The quiet, small community. The scenery.

The quiet, undeveloped space to raise a family. The reason we purchased a house and land here was to raise a family in a rural area. Overdevelopment would be the worst thing to happen here.

The quietness

The quietness and the small town feel; great neighbors; lots of farmland

The rural atmosphere.

The rural setting (2 responses tallied)

The rural setting. The friendliness of the "local" people.

The rural/wooded areas.

The small town atmosphere

The small town feel but in the suburbs. The people who live here and the everyday resources close to home.

The small town nature and the open space and farmland.

The small, quiet town, good sense of community.

The undeveloped nature of it.

The way it is now!

The way it is

Uncongested area. Small town appeal.

We enjoy outdoor hobbies. The State Game Lands/Middle Creek offer lots of room for anyone looking for recreation.

We enjoy the historic and rural nature of the Township.

We have not let the noise of the world in. a town like I grew up in. Real people. Rural.

We have two nice parks

We like the rural atmosphere of the township. It is what separates it from other areas that continue to develop their farmland and natural areas. There is enough development/commercial/shopping areas surrounding the township if we want those services. The township needs to try and preserve the rural way of life.

We like the small town feel at Dutchway and Good's Store in Schaefferstown. We especially enjoy nearby access to State Game Lands and Middle Creek Wildlife, and appreciate going to the Cherry Fair at the Schaeffer Farm. We can enjoy our children and animals in the country and like taking walks or rides on the dirt roads, Pumping Station, etc.

We live in a quiet area.

We love being "rural" and pray it will stay like this.

We still have a lot of agriculture and open space, along with a large amount of historic buildings.

Where I was born and raised. Feel at home here.

Woodland, beauty. quiet

It's a good place to live and the roads are left in good condition.

34. What things do you feel detract from the Township?

(1) We need a f/t officer of law! (2) No way to become part of the community if not already having community connections. (3) Requiring land restrictions (also w & s). We should be allowed wells. Also being charged for sewer by cost of water used. Some have pools, do yard work, wash vehicles that does not go back into sewage!!

501

Abandoned houses (specifically in Kleinfeltersville)

Absentee landlords whose buildings are not always taken care of - renters who have no interest in keeping up properties' appearance.

Adding anymore stoplights.

Ag waste dump sites

Aggressive driving, drugs and drug dealing more and more and it is because no cops. We need a policeman in S-town. It's not safe!

Allowing people on zoning board who are large landowners.

Any outside corporate business and non-owners of both business (employment) and residences.

Any type of building project is a tryst. For instance, I had contractors give up on my project because it took 10 weeks to get permits.

Apartment complexes (2 responses tallied)

Apartments. Developments.

Bad sidewalks. Homes with no sewer should have a fee added on to their bills!

Building more homes

Building new school, malls and houses. Destroying God's beauty.

Building on farm land.

Bumpy roads

Businesses

CAFOs. They are springing up like mushrooms and are a serious quality of life issue.

Can't relax outside due to noisy airplanes coming and going from Keller airstrip. Low flying also.

Cell towers

Cell towers; power lines

Chipped roads damage vehicles! No police force! High taxes! High sewer bills!!! No local police force brings troubles to our area!!

City forced water and sewer

City living

Clyde Martin Speedway on Sunnyside Road. Noisy races all summer long.

Commercial development and large industrial facilities.

Commercialization

Community social events are failing. No Egg Hunt. Halloween Parade getting shorter.

Condition of roads - too many stones on the road in winter - its an eyesore. Sones are in yards - piled up along the roads - in the grass. Only in the Township does it look like this in the winter - just overkill on throwing stones in the road. Numerous potholes.

Condition of sidewalks and rental properties.

Cost for water and sewer are way TOO HIGH! The township should provide recycling, leaf and branch collection, like all other townships.

Cost of sewage system.

Development (2 responses tallied)

Development of farm land

Development outside of town,

Development that is not well planned. Increasing traffic issues.

Development; ocndos, aprtment buildings; heavy industry

Developments (3 responses tallied)

Dog parks/dog kennels under development

Dogs that bark ALL the time. Lack of things and shops for locals.

Don't know - never lived any other place.

Even though it has quieted down with the bypass road, noise can be an issue and the consistent gun fire from the Sportsmans Club, especially on weekends.

Expensive

Expensive new sewer bill.

Expensive sewer bills

Expensive water and sewer bills.

Factory farms - facilities where animals are kept solely indoors. Facilities "farms" with sludge pits (manure and urine). Spreading of manure and sludge over fields without additives that reduce the smell and spreading of bacteria. We need clean air - which is attainable with propoer procedures.

Fast cars and trucks are a hazard on the road, especially during weekends and at nite.

Fire company boot drives to raise funds. Very dangerous and distracting to drivers.

Getting too large; more traffic; the small town and country feelings are going away.

Growing development, increased traffic, increased required revenue for township employees (taxes, etc.), overall growth, regulation and Big government moving on in.

Growth - lack of local police; motor traffic; bad looking property within Schaefferstown

Hard to get Ag building permits.

Having a pipeline going through it.

Heavy trucks bypassing Turnpike to save fares (419/897)

Heavy, large vehicle traffic

Hi(gh) taxes - those of us who own just under 10 acres are getting the shaft. Due to not being able to put it in Clean and Green. Something is totally WRONG that I have to pay about the same tax amount on 6 acres as a 100 acre dairy farm. Just totally wrong! Hi(gh) sewer premiums - there has been alot of retired folks moving out .. they can't afford such high water and sewer cost.

High cost of public sewer service.

High cost of water, sewer and trash - that also lowers propoerty values and makes it harder to sell if you need to.

High sewer bill. Needs to come down! No one wants to move because of that.

High sewer bills

High sewer bills; truck traffic

High sewer rates

High speed vehicles.

High taxes

High taxes (need broader tax base such as business, small industry -more development). High cost of water and sewer compared to surrounding twp or towns.

High taxes; progress in industry

Higher taxes

High taxes after the reassessment- mine went up x3.

Horse and buggies messing on the road. Make them use bags.

Horse s**t on roads and parking lots

Housing developments

Housing developments on existing farmland that will add to traffic congestion.

Housing developments. No Newburg Villages!!

I don't know.

I would have to say the high sewer bill. I have questionned towns and cities in Lancaster, Lebanon and Reading and no one was even close to what we have to pay. And most of you do not live in the area that has sewers.

Inability to pay for the sewer - an issue which has chased a number of families from the Township - and the perception that Township officials have little concern for the people who live here.

Incomplete construction projects. Kinsley left a mess at the south end of the 501 project. The sewer lateral crossings that are not finished prpoperly are very inconvenient to deal with. Local companies should be hired for these type of projects.

Inconvenience of pulling in and out of local gas station. Horse and buggys.

Intrusive behaviour by Township officials.

Inviting demonic presence with the Hallowean parade and any connected decorations.

ISSUES with 897 [attached questionnaire]

Lack of a local police force. Response time of the township on local ordinance complaints, environmental issues, etc., seems very lenthly.

Lack of clean up to streets and storm drains. No policing of individuals speeding and going through stop signs. Roadways need fixing due to sewer installations. No local policeman. Reassessments out of line.

Lack of community center/gathering

Lack of curbside recycling. Speeding garbage trucks taking up the whole road. No grocery store open on Sundays. Lack of parks/playgrounds.

Lack of downtown area; playground absent

Lack of enough police protection.

Lack of facilities - swimming, rec center.

Lack of growth - HT needs to realize they must add services and expand to attract great new people!

Lack of jobs.

Lack of local police

Lack of local police force (but we realize in order fund a police force, you need \$\$).

Lack of local stores and pharmacies. Large truck traffic.

Lack of police protection (2 responses tallied)

Lack of police protection. High taxes. Stupidity of Township Supervisors.

Lack of public transit.

Lack of services like fast food and drug store.

Lack of shopping/business/services

Lack of things to do. Not much here to attract tourists either, even though several historic venues - but other stuff is limited.

Lack of Township police force

Large amount of renters in town. Better quality renters would be nice, required background checks.

Lebanon Farms Disposal and all the traffic their trucks create.

Less time for Twp Engineer to approve projects - some drag on for months, then get approved anyway - like we knew they would.

Living overhead, costs.

Main Street could be beautified a little. Ex: nicer sidewalks, etc.

Miss the police (our own).

More development

Most of the folks we know are concerned with future development.

Natural gas liquids pipelines

Need 1 or 2 more food establishments.

Need more recreation opportunities

Need nicer gas station.

need park; high sewer bills

Need to put curbs on corners to prevent property owners damage from traffic.

Neighbors dogs bark all day and till like 9:00 - 10:00 at night - and nothing can be done by the Township.

New houses area

No competition on gas prices

No complaints

No cop! No family restaurant - open 7 days a week!

No curbside recycling program.

No law enforcement.

No local law enforcement. Rental properties.

No local police

No local police department, so need to call state police which may take longer to arrive.

No local police force, and the trash, weedy intersection of 501/897/419, across from Speedway; clean up weeds please and make it a great looking intersection.

No local police force. Sewer costs too expensive to live here.

No opinion

No police force; traffic

No police force (7 responses tallied)

No police presence

No police; speeding; reckless drivers.

No police/safety issues

No recreational opportunities for children within walking distance.

No shoppes/restaurants; dumb dutchman attitude; no change ever attitude.

Not expanding

Not having the elementary school anymore and now the sewer is in and that was one problem. Why gotten rid of school - but no reason to bother with that now.

Not many businesses

Not much!

Not open to change/growth

Not very friendly to expansion - residential, business.

Nothing (3 responses tallied)

Nothing at all

Nothing at this time

Nothing to do

Nothing yet!

Nothing. We love it here!

On 501 - formerly Phillips Woods is a disgrace! Now a junkyard - once beautiful

Our roads. Noise from former K-ville Hotel - I hope if it is rebuilt that noise ordinances will be enforced.

Our waterway toll under the road is an erosion and rodent problem. We need a generator due to loss of electric power along roadway (Mountain Trail Road).

Outrageous taxation; ungodly sewer cost; practically nonexistent police.

Over regulation

Overachieving beauracrats(sic)

Overdevelopment; traffic

People are not very courteous to new people! If you are born and raised here, you are not seen.

People not keeping up their properties.

Petty issues blown out of proportion. Pa Dutch tendency to carry a grudge for a lifetime - let go! Properties in need of repair/cleanup.

Plans for overdevelopment

Police!

Poor condition of 897 east of Schaefferstown

Poor rural road care. Lack of maintenance. Back roads are in need of some edge widening and paving and maaintenance. Snow plows to stop knocking down mailboxes all the time.

Poor sidewalks; no local police; no curbing on side streets; no ordinances for trashed/junky house and yards; poor plowing; lighting on side streets is poor

Poor upkeep of roads and bad blacktop.

Poorly maintained roads

Problems with new sewer system.

Property on Church Road with questionanle activities. Speedway corner with no clear plan, opening.

Public involvement (lack of); demographics

Public sewer cost is not reasonable! The project was not feasible.

Rental properties - landlords rebting to anyone without background checks, therefore bad elimatte (sic) has been brought into town - DRUGS!

Rental properties!!!

Residential development

Residential overbuilding

Residents who refuse to lok forward and do not participate in positive ways.

Road and transportaion maintainence

Sewer and water bills too high.

Sewer development/cost to owners

Short-term residents; recent sewer costs; developing ag land

Sidewalks are unsafe.

Sitting on the deck, my wife gets very nervous with all the gunfire. Would like to just relax on a holiday.

Small shopping centers.

Small wooded area along Route 897 with small shed near roadway.

Some properties that are not maintained.

Still have large trucks to deal with

Storm water and the price and process that goes with it. What a joke and waste of time and money. Township does not help the people - just themselves. (Pain to do anything).

Supervisors

Tearing up great farm land

The cost in living in the township is extremely high - water and sewage.

The cost of water and sewer

The cost of sewer and water

The debris along the roadways that is a result of wind and rain. The often times is not removed. Also the areas in the township where people have a collection of "junk" on their properties.

The farm odors after fields are sprayed.

The gas station/empty building in front Speedway, I think its called, would be nice to have them relocate (move), plant a nice blue spruce decorate for holidays. That will never happen E.P.A.will of course step in.

The Halloween Parade in Schaefferstown that closes the main routes through the area with no good detour routes.

The HIGH cost of property tax! We pay almost as much as a small business in Cornwall.

The high price of sewer!!! We might have to move and I feel lots of people feel the same way. We want to stay - please lower the rates if you want good families in the area.

The high sewer bills that was totally unneeded! My septic was working just fine.

The high sewer bills. As an apartment building owner, I am forced to pass the cost on to my tenants, resulting in higher rent than neighboring towns.

The high water and sewer rates. People do not want to move to an area with rates of this magnitude.

The increased work flow traffic AM/PM thru town and on South Lancaster Road.

The increasing development of Heidelberg Township.

The major roadways detract from the peaceful, small town setting.

The people who move in and are trying to bring "big city" ideas and life to our small rural community. Lack of police presence.

The price of sewer and water

The race track

The road 897 is horrible since the sewers were put in. Too many trucks, plus tractor trailers using jake brakes.

The roads

The rough roads that remain from the sewer install.

The sewer and water bill situation is deterring the housing market in this twp! You're strangulating (sic) growth!

The sewer high cost and water.

The sidewalks in town and villages

There are no inviting public spaces, no signs indicating the location of parks, and it is not easy to walk around town. Our sidewalks.

There are some properties that are run down; are becoming trash collection spots. Since we lost the school more properties are becoming rentals, thus the lack of home ownership pride.

There is not much of a police presence for people that drive 70 mph through Reistville.

Things have stayed the same for many years, except sewer and 501 realignment. Those were good and needed changes. Any rapid change or growth in building/development would detract from the culture of the Township. Some growth is necessary.

Too many chicken houses. Need a commission on the historical upkeep of the downtown area.

Too many ordinances

Too many rentals

Too many Republicans

Too much development (2 responses tallied)

Too much housing

Traffic (5 responses tallied)

Trash - left by local residents who can not afford or too lazy to remove it from the community to correct facilities.

Trashy homes like *** ***** in Reistville; big chicken houses; big pig houses

Tree trimming along roads.

Truck traffic.

Township leadership. Public utilities cost. Losing sense of a small town.

Unfortunate that the elementary school was sold

Unkempt properties (eyesores); southwest corner of 501 intersection (eyesore)

Unkept properties (trash or non-driveable cars).

Unplanned building; inappropriate over-sized homes in area with older houses (S. Lancaster Ave)

Untidy homes and weeds.

Use of farmland for townhouses and big development.

Very high services fees for sewer and water

Water and sewer bills. I have one pipe coming in and one pipe going out. Why do I have to pay 4 times. I don't mind paying my share but this sucks!!

We are new residents and nothing as of yet bothers us.

We live near the Heidelberg Sportsman Club off Market Street in Schaefferstown and feel it is not safe for the neighbors. We believe the high powered weapons they fire can and have reached property on Sheep Hill Road and we have more houses on the street now.

We need a local police presence. State police have a long response time.

We need our own police force.

We think the sewer installation will eventually detract (due to increase dense development) from the Heidelberg Township way of life and diminish the rural lifestyle atmosphere of the Township. We believe additional sewer installations should not be done unless mandated by Federal or State Regulations. Also we believe it is putting undo financial burdens on Township residents.

Weedy area at 501 and 897 intersection. It should get mowed and grass planted.

Zoning office to role (sic) our lifestyle.

35. Please number the three most important qualities of life in the Township. Person 1

11.8%	112	Rural lifestyle #1
6.7%	64	Peace, quiet, serenity #2
6.6%	63	Small town lifestyle #2
6.5%	62	Small town lifestyle #1
6.0%	57	Peace, quiet, serenity #1
5.5%	52	Natural beauty/scenery #3
5.4%	51	Peace, quiet, serenity #3
5.4%	51	Rural lifestyle #2
4.9%	47	Natural beauty/scenery #2
4.3%	41	Agricultural areas #3
3.8%	36	Small town lifestyle #3
3.6%	34	Natural areas (wildlife, etc.) #3
3.3%	31	Rural lifestyle #3
2.8%	27	Natural areas (wildlife, etc.) #2
2.5%	24	Agricultural areas #2
2.2%	21	Agricultural areas #1
2.2%	21	Family ties #2
2.1%	20	Sense of community #3
1.9%	18	Family ties #1
1.9%	18	Family ties #3
1.8%	17	Location convenient to work/shopping #3
1.7%	16	Natural beauty/scenery #1
1.6%	15	Natural areas (wildlife, etc.) #1
1.1%	10	Sense of community #1
0.9%	9	Sense of community #2
0.7%	7	Location convenient to work/shopping #2
0.5%	5	Recreational opportunities #3
0.4%	4	Economic opportunity/employment #3

0.4%	4	School facilities #3
0.3%	3	Economic opportunity/employment #1
0.3%	3	School facilities #1
0.2%	2	Economic opportunity/employment #2
0.2%	2	Location convenient to work/shopping #1
0.2%	2	Recreational opportunities #1
0.1%	1	Other #1
0.1%	1	School facilities #2

35. Please number the three most important qualities of life in the Township. Person 2

12.6%	88	Rural lifestyle #1
6.7%	47	Peace, quiet, serenity #1
6.6%	46	Small town lifestyle #2
6.4%	45	Peace, quiet, serenity #2
6.2%	43	Natural beauty/scenery #3
5.3%	37	Natural beauty/scenery #2
5.3%	37	Small town lifestyle #1
4.9%	34	Peace, quiet, serenity #3
4.1%	29	Rural lifestyle #2
4.1%	29	Small town lifestyle #3
3.9%	27	Natural areas (wildlife, etc.) #3
3.6%	25	Agricultural areas #2
3.3%	23	Agricultural areas #3
3.0%	21	Natural areas (wildlife, etc.) #2
2.4%	17	Family ties #3
2.4%	17	Rural lifestyle #3
2.4%	17	Sense of community #3
2.1%	15	Natural beauty/scenery #1
2.0%	14	Family ties #1
1.9%	13	Location convenient to work/shopping #3
1.3%	9	Agricultural areas #1
1.3%	9	Family ties #2
1.3%	9	Natural areas (wildlife, etc.) #1
1.1%	8	Sense of community #2
1.0%	7	Sense of community #1

0.7%	5	Location convenient to work/shopping #2
0.7%	5	Recreational opportunities #3
0.6%	4	Economic opportunity/employment #2
0.6%	4	School facilities #1
0.6%	4	School facilities #3
0.3%	2	Economic opportunity/employment #3
0.3%	2	Location convenient to work/shopping #1
0.3%	2	Other #1
0.3%	2	Other #2
0.3%	2	School facilities #2
0.1%	1	Recreational opportunities #2

36. For the future of Heidelberg Township, what is the most important issue for Township officials to consider?

(1) Activities and places to bring the community together. (2) Preserving the small town/agricultural feel of our Township'

(1) Addition of natural gas; (2) Restrict development to single dwelling on no less than 1 acre of land.; (3) Would also like to see at least a regional police force. State Police only presence is not adequate.

(1) continue to provide services without tax increases; (2) seek grants for developing 419 Scenic Byway through town; (3) don't forget about K-ville and Reistville

(1) Cost of w/s. (2) How to build community and welcome people connections. (3) LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER!!!

(1) Don't try to grow; (2) Rural lifestyle; (3) Keep Heidelberg the way it is (small town, peace and quiet, simple lifestyle)

(1) Long term growth and development; (2) traffic flow; (3) police presence

(1) Nice smooth roads; (2) Safety issues on roads. Example: when turning left onto 501 N from Cherry Lane Road, the farmer's fence on your right blocks your view of north bound cars.

(1) Ordinances for shoveling sidewalks in our town - last year it was bad. (2) Knowing the just finished project in town, this may have to wait - but repair of sidewalks would be good. Someone mentioned if the Township did the curbing the residents would be responsible for the walk.

A better way of communicating water main breaks and boil water advisories. Possibly email notification or by text message.

A COP!!

A police department!

A police force is the most important issue. The time it would take for the State Police to get here is ridiculous. We have a peaceful town, luckily. My guess is that we'll get a police force after someone is seriously injured or killed.

Absolutely NO low income housing/rental units.

Aging population, on fixed incomes, to be able to keep their homes. So be fiscally responsible.

Allow for some high value growth and development so that additional services are affordable.

Allow growth but not allow to run rapid! Controlled growth.

As stated above, funding a police force with current resources.

Avoiding overdevelopment to make Schaefferstown into Newburg Village or a busy Myerstown. I moved here because it was a quiet historic town without a bunch of traffic.

Balancing its growth while preserving our beauty.

Better maintenance of roads after storms.

Better police protection.

Bigger snow removal equipment.

Bring back local police

Bring back police

Building up the area

Businesses oriented for the 21st century to locate here. Preservation of what we have of natural lands and agriculture.

Cars speeding through town and traffic safety.

Change

Change is natural, occurs every day. Yesterday is gone, today is the present, tomorrow is the future. Keep as much as possible of yesterday and today, so tomorrow is no total stranger.

Combine water and sewer bills and bill monthly. To make it more affordable. No one I know pays anywhere near what we do for those services. The closest was about \$200 for water/sewer combined!

Common sense approach to governance, growth, taxation. Open channels of communication with citizens.

Conservation

Conservation of natural areas

Continue to plan for the future of the Township.

Control development

Control development. Protect farmland.

Controlled expansion of the historical, rural and small town lifestyle

Cost of improvements

Cost of sewer to current owners. Lower property/school taxes to persons with no children in school.

Curb/restrict development in order to maintain the current "rural Americana atmosphere". Once the rural atmosphere is gone, there is no regaining it. Simply look at Lebanon's suburban spread. Is that what the Township wants? We hope not.

Curtail further expansion.

Demographics and lack of vibrancy/involvement

Density - house, industry, retail

Deter bad business, bad people and violence. To keep our children safe.

Do not develop too much. Heidelberg Township is a beautiful township.

Do not force water and sewer on your residents.

Do not raise taxes.

Do nothing

Do we have quarterly open town meetings? Newsletter is good. Volunteer opportunities. Bulletin board/website interactiveness.

Do we need to spend the extra money @ all

Dog law on barking constantly. Fawn Hollow Road.

Don't fall to the greed of developers and corporate business. My biggest complaint is the waste of road salt in winter, especially the first couple of snows. When there's so many cinders in an intersection that it's a hazard.

Don't fix what isn't broke!

Don't know

Don't let residential development get out of hand.

Don't let the Township get developed.

Don't over develop.

Don't raise taxes

Don't turn us into a Lebanon City!!

Drugs

Encourage industrial development which generates tax income and keep out mobile home parks and apartments that generate additional crime.

Enforce 3 acre minimum lot sizes

Excessive spending/higher taxes

Existing laws and regulations need to be enforced for everyone. I feel we need some type of local police or person in charge to contact when a problem arises. Supervisors are not always available or are unwilling to give a direct answer to a problem.

Expanding

Expanding public services (water, sewer)

Fairness, being frugal and not being crooked.

Far as I can tell, you're doing a great job! Roadside mowing, great job.

Fix Frederick Lane. Fix pot holes left from sewer. Quit paving roads then come back and dig them up and then not patch properly. This to include sewer drops several inches below road surface. Frederick Lane should be maintained by the Township because of access - six families with a 7th coming.

Fix water issue on Wedgewood Drive East - where water flows downhill into everybody yards.

For the safety of the community - local police (combine with other/closer communities).

Freedom

Full time police force

FULLTIME local police protection!!! Fulltime local police protection!!!

Getting grants for sewer - cut down on sewer costs - people cannot afford what is being charged. Many houses for sale.

Getting local police would be nice. As the older people die, new people move in, with bad habits.

Getting local police.

Getting our own police department.

Getting small shops in town - making it a "small town." Getting people to take care of the dogs barking (It's a real problem).

Good job

Grow slow

Growth - to help pay for the sewer!

Growth and development! I have no doubt that development will come whether we like it or not. A good land use plan is imperative to lessen the impacts (especially the negative impacts) and control the growth. Please keep agricultural/rural areas rural and agricultural, and historical areas conserved. Housing and industrial should be grouped together - housing with other housing, industrial with industrial. The latter will increase the tax base - but at what cost?

Having a police force.

Having police protection.

Help land owners achieve their dream living lay out

High cost of living - water and sewage. In case of emergency, state police are far away. Unfortunately times are getting worse so we need a much quicker response.

High cost of sewer! Especially since previous system was working just fine for over 30 years.

High sewer rates that make it unattractive for people to move here.

Honesty. Finish what you are in the midst of doing the projects; sewer, waterlines, roads - fix them. Lower speed limits at busy intersections! Enforce them! Water and sewer bills not paid need an added fee applied to the bills.

How an industry or development will impact the land and roadways.

How can we prevent or township from becoming over-developed? How can we keep the rural feel?

How much development, whether commercial or residential, is allowed?

How to preserve the rural and small-town feel and lifestyle while allowing a certain amount of growth (controlled growth). Growth will come, but it needs to be at a rate that the township's planning boards (?) and infrastructure can sustain.

I have heard more than enough from out of area people who have relocated here and are not satisfied with our Twp. Why did they come here? They want a police dept. HT does not NEED a Police Dept. We've been through that one already.

Improving the parks and also the police force.

Improving what we have before adding new.

In case of future developments, the bigger the lot and house = more \$, usually means it gets landscaped and taken care of better.

Incorporating a police force.

Increase police present/awareness in the community.

Individual freedom

ISSUES with 897 [attached questionnaire]

It needs to grow

Keep costs down AVOID WASTE!

Keep crime to minimum. Keep small town rural atmosphere.

Keep developments to a minimum. Do not allow farms to be turned into townhouse villages or postage stamp developments. If you allow any development, PLEASE set a minimum acreage of 5 or more to help keep property values up and riff raff out of our wonderful community. Thanks!

Keep farmland in agriculture.

Keep Heidelberg Township's open space "undeveloped". Minimize housing developments.

Keep housing development close by towns or main highways - not in the country or next to farms.

Keep it a small town. Police department (regional?)

Keep it a small, simple, quiet community.

Keep Schaefferstown small.

Keep small town environment

Keep small town life

Keep storm drains clear of leaves, etc. Storm water runoff.

Keep support for agriculture

Keep tax low as possible

Keep taxes low; keep crime low

Keep taxes low. Support agriculture.

Keep the Township as unspoiled and safe as possible. Encourage building of large homes with three acres of land.

Keep the neighborhood CLEAN from outside TRASH!

Keep the Twp rural, with open land.

Keep zoning laws "common sense and reasonable"

Keeping a rural atmosphere

Keeping a small town small. If you want to live in a city, move to a city!

Keeping development out

Keeping it as small town and rural as possible

Keeping it rural – small town/agricultural.

Keeping it safe (low crime) for residents.

Keeping local residents happy to prevent relocation and lack of support of township.

Keeping low taxes all around; fiscally responsible - as a Township and schools; natural gas options

Keeping residents in mind. We can not afford to add additional cost of living and maintain the value of our homes.

Keeping roads and bridges in good repair. Keeping developments (residential) together, so it don't conflict with farming practices.

Keeping roads maintained, gutters cleaned of debris and having a local police force. People will want to live and work here if there is a local police force to make things safe and secure.

Keeping taxes low (2 responses tallied)

Lack of growth - HT needs to realize they must add services and expand to attract great new people!

Lack of police protection and getting people to "clean up" their properties.

Land development - moderation

Law enforcement.

Leave well enough alone.

Less government is better government.

Let's keep working together.

Limit development - condition of road and amount of stones used in the winter.

Limit development and protect farmland. No development of farmland.

Limit development. Limit through motor traffic. Bypass Rt 419.

Limit governmental rules, regulations, taxes. Let landowners manage their own land.

Limiting development of farmland and open space.

Limiting development to a core area around Schaefferstown, that area being the triangle bounded by the new and old 501.

Limiting residential development. Keep it to area adjacent to town, in single family homes on small lots.

Limit to developments, not multi-acre tracts for rich people. South Lebanon Township has solid(?) concentric development ring. Imitate that.

Local police (4 responses tallied)

Low budget costs

Low impact on community with future development.

Low tax for permanent residents. Prevent development from taking more farmland away.

Low taxes, snow plowing

Lower sewer bill. Return calls to residents who are looking to obtain a building permit. We called 6 times and no one returned our calls!!

Lower sewer bills (2 responses tallied)

Lower sewer bills. Local police.

Lower taxes

Lower taxes - big jump in the taxes hurts people.

Lowering quarterly sewer/water bills - prices are extreme.

Lowering sewer please.

Lowering sewer/water bills

Lowering the cost of water and sewer. Not developing farmland.

Main Street has become a race track(sic). Large trucks, chicken hauling, log hauling, water hauling trucks are going 40 to 60 mph and they know there is no police to worry about.

Maintain a sensible free lifestyle.

Maintain economical accessibility and privilege for the continued use of private/parochial schools.

Maintain its present status.

Maintain roads and proper drainage

Maintain small town feel

Maintaining a township that is still oriented to a small community, one that is not over-developed.

Maintaining the rural, agricultural lifestyle.

Maintaining the sense of community that ties us to the natural areas of the Township.

Make affordable for senior citizens.

Making our town safe by having a Township police officer. Getting the price of sewer and water lower.

Making sure everyone gets hooked into the sewer! Dropping the sewer bill.

Making the sewer a reasonable rate. Why would someone want to move here from Myerstown or Newmanstown with the rate this high? I think the community programs left with the school and they need to come back for the kids.

More church attendance/involvement.

More park and walking trails

Move into the future with CAREFUL consideration for our rural, small town way of life. No easy task!

Move traffic light to square. Make alley from 419 to North Lancaster Avenue one way west.

New Supervisors. We shouldn't be paying for things the Supervisors want for their personal use.

No apartments; no renters

NO development. Single family homes.

No further development of any kind.

No more development

Not charging residents the ridiculous debt service for the sewer hookup. \$5,000 tapping fee was bad enough.

Not commercializing and industrializing our community.

Not to build up our quiet, beautiful community, with housing developments. Also the preservation of our farms and woodlands, historical sites.

Not to disturb the lifestyle for our senior citizens like myself.

Not to raise taxes to pay back the EIT money - where was it used? What happen (sic) to the money you used to pay the police force?

Once upon a time we had two policemen. Now we don't have any?

Our Township would benefit greatly if we would have a local police officer, as we had in the past. Speeding vehicles on main roads are becoming a problem. Response time from State Police is understandably much longer than would be with a local police force.

Overdevelopment

Oversize farm implements on highway.

Parks and paved walking trails

Passing ordinances to clean up the town! Have programs for young kids so attracts young families to move in and buy rental properties because of the way renters keep their places. Start something for seniors. Have time limits on Supervisors - drive around and notice how some of the original supervisors left town get so run down. No need and should not have anyone on for 2 terms. Need younger people who care.

Person 1: save our area from future development. Person 2: Reduce taxes.

Plan carefully with building; keep the small town lifestyle.

Plant more trees.

Planting trees. The value of tree-lined streets cannot be underestimated. Studying tree-filled towns will show that quality of life is higher. American White Sycamore is one I highly value.

Playgrounds!

Please do not overbuild and develop the area.

Please do not take away from the natural beauty of this area.

Please, Please get a local police force to patrol full time!

Please, do not restrict agriculture.

Police

Police force (2 responses tallied)

Police force reinstated! Long time for state police to arrive when needed.

Police protection

Police protection. Preservation of farm land.

Police; natural gas; fair permitting process,

Police!!!

Police officer. Keeping it a small town.

Preservation of our rural atmosphere.

Preservation of the history of the area. Living along a scenic byway, we strive to keep a property that is visually appealing.

Preserve farmland; keep rural atmosphere; keep rural roads in good repair

Preserve the town like it is.

Preserving the current nature of the township. There are other areas people can live in if they prefer more developed environments.

Preserving the farm land

Property taxes - The taxes for a 3+ acre lot is out of control. To get good tax base a few businesses could be allowed in to help with school taxes and relieve landowners of some of the heavy tax burden.

Protecting the rural, small town feel.

Public water and natural gas.

Recreation

Recreation for children. Recycling.

Redo the sidewalks.

Reduce property taxes.

Reduce taxes - specifically school and property taxes

Reduce water and sewer rates. We have one of the highest rates in the County.

Reduction of water and sewer

Regionalized police force

Removing the traffic light at Main Street and Carpenter. Thank you for the beautiful job at the intersection of Gravel Hill Road and Rt. 897. I've been driving through for the last 30 years and this is the smoothest it has ever been!

Replace pipe under 897 at end of Delancy property. Cars hydroplane in heavy rain due to flooding on road. Discharge pipe is inadequate. Property address is 1560 Heidelberg Avenue.

Restoring a local police presence.

Restoring police

Restricting/limiting mass housing complexes and large developments in order to preserve life style of residents.

Retire!

Revitalization

Ruining small town/rural atmosphere.

Safe recreation/paths for seniors and handicapped individuals.

Safety for homeowners. I feel the lack of a local police presence is not safe for our community and its residents.

Safety of its citizens

Satisfied

Save farm land

Self contained community - live/work/eat/shop; recreation/historic opportunities.

Sense of community

Sewer/water bill. Again, you are strangulating the growth of the community by charging such high fees.

Sewer/water bills for the elderly - too expensive

Sidewalks along 897 to connect to Prospect Hill Development. More of a recreation area. Larger lot sizes when building homes.

Slow growth

Small town lifestyle

Some growth in a limited way to help on the cost to residents of taxes, sewer and other fees.

Spending

Start to consider the retired people that have a set income. Someday you will be in the same shoes.

Stay same

Stays farming and small town township

Stop building more houses! Save the farms!

Stop catering to the EPA and all the outrageous state and federal government regulations that burden the taxpayer and you with crazy regs.

Stop imposing water/sewer to residents with perfectly good working water and septic systems.

Stop raising our taxes.

Stop the speeding on Heidelberg Avenue - Kville to Schaefferstown.

Storm drains along 897 and Millbach Road. They were covered up by PennDOT-hired blacktopping crews. 897 down by Kramer's (?) floods every rain storm.

Storm water and maintenance of roads, and consideration of people wanting to spend money in township. New township engineer that doesn't take a lifetime to give answers and pass the buck to someone else. New township management with business sense.

Support self-sustaining family business.

Taxes

Taxes and development.

Taxes are too high

Taxes; water/sewer rates; upgrade sidewalks

The cost issues of water, sewer, property taxes.

The pipeline.

The purpose of the Township government is to maintain and clear roads of snow and debris. Not looking for new things to spend money on. The state is going broke and our country is not far behind. It is not up to us to put our children and grandchildren in debt because we want a bike trail.

The sewer project was very costly, and while that seems like a good thing, the cost per quarter is much higher than other communities with public water and sewer. Maybe some effort could be put into lowering the quarterly bill.

To be more inclusive, not as afraid of outsiders (new people) relocating to the area.

To maintain rural and historic value of the community.

To not allow commercialization of land (i.e., Sheetz). Keep it as a small town, community focused.

To try and keep developing to a minimum, especially housing developments.

To work for benefit of all residents, not just a few politically motivated friends!

Township must become more supportive of local businesses.

Traffic control and flow of traffic; police protection

Traffic impact on residents.

Traffic light at Reistville.

Traffic not getting really congested.

Trustworthy

Turn to God for direction! Remember the year the Halloween parade got "snowed out"? That was God's gentle reminder of the love and will for our community to be pure.

Twp. Police

Very limited development

We believe residents will be willing to see small, incremental tax increases rather than allow developers to build up industrial or housing. Lititz and Ephrata are building up in many areas which increases traffic and creates more demands for infrastructure which in turn raises property taxes. Lets not go down that path.

We do not want to see any development. We are not a far drive to Lebanon, Lancaster or Reading, if you want or need to go to bigger stores. We need to stop losing wildlife habitat and preserve the beauty we have here.

We need more recreational opportunities for our children, like Myerstown.

We need our own police officer.

We think the most important issue is preserving the rural, small town lifestyle which now exists in Heidelberg Township.

Working together - that may also be the hardest.

You need to slow down the growth of CAFOs (factory farms) in the township.

Zoning is too restrictive.

Zoning issues

Zoning. If zoning is done correctly, there is no need for ag preserve and other crazy programs.

37. How do you feel about being a Heidelberg Township resident? What should the Township do to make it a better place to live?

(1) If given the chance, I would probably move elsewhere. (2) Lower utility costs. More community involvement (from the Township)!

(1) ready to leave; (2) happy - just need to expand on what we have

(1) The Township should have real, covered bus stops for our school children. The Township could work with the school district to pick appropriate locations to place them. (2) Curbside recycling - this is a necessity and shouldn't be optional. (3) A police officer - the vast majority of the residents want a police officer in Schaefferstown. No one obeys the speed limit on Main Street since we lost our officer. Also, there have been several times when a domestic issue came up and the State Police in Jonestown have to respond.

A great place to live and raise a family

Add exercise facility and dog park.

Add more recreational areas

Add more recycling.

Add Township police like we once had.

Address individuals with answers to inquiries and corrective measures taken or not taken - and why.

All is good

As I stated, we have not lived here very long at all. We are very happy with our decision to move here.

At one time, I had a lot of pride in Heidelberg Twp. But between no police and the way the sewer was put through without little to no consideration for the price per quarter, and financial grants, it's become a burden. I feel that everyone has a blind eye to the amount of drugs and drug dealing in this township. I personally feel sickened by this.

Better communication with residents.

Better police protection

Control rural household junk yards. Residents that turn their yards into old car storage areas and have no regard for neighbor or pollution with oil leaks, runoff, etc. These junk yard residential homes detract from the rural area beauty and overall impression of the Township.

Control speed and traffic on 501!!! It is frequently excessive and seldom patrolled. Buggies deserve right to travel safely as do all others on the road or in homes on the hiway.

Curb development

Don't overtax the residents - especially the fixed income residents of our Township by creating unnecessary programs and overhead. Example: township police officer.

Enjoy living here, much quieter than Lancaster County

Enjoy living in the township and would like to have more police presence like we had 3 years ago

Enjoy small town feel in Township! Could provide local business.

Expand the water and sewer system to handle future growth.

Feel at home here. Nothing would prevent me from moving,

Feel good. Should have local police.

Find a way to lower water and sewer bills; these bills are way out of line - approx 4 times the normal costs.

Fine - as long as the rural atmosphere is maintained. Provide 24/7 police coverage.

Full time police force

Full time police force; coordinate refuse collection; curbside leaf and shubbery collection/composting

Get a cop! Feeling safe is most important!

Get a local police officer.

Get full time local police protection!!! We felt more safe and serene when we had full time police protection!

Get new supervisors every five years or so

Get rid of the Supervisors

Get a full time local police force! STOP STOP taxing us to death!

Getting to be too expensive. Supervisors should have applied for more grants for the sewer system

Gibble Road should be paved all the way through to 501.

Glad to be an asset to the Township. No suggestions on how to make it better; content with how it is.

Good (3 responses tallied)

Good job

Good. Continue restoring historic properties and promote well maintained landscapes.

Good. Love the quaintness and small-town atmosphere.

Good. Prefer government to be small with little intrusion.

Good. Survey is a good idea.

Great as is.

Great living

Great! Try to keep it similar to now as much as possible! (i.e., less changes)

Great. Keep it rural.

Happy

Happy the way it is

Happy to be a resident

Happy to live in Township. Reduce cost of sewer and water for senior citizens.

Have a place for seniors to live. We can't afford to live in our own homes if expenses continue to rise.

Have an impartial zoning board.

Heidelberg great!

Heidelberg has been a wonderful place to own land and live the last 25 years. Keep the roads and utilities in good repair and encourage property owners to keep their properties in good shape. We do have a wonderful neighborhood, unique rural small town culture. We love it here and do not look for lots of change to take place.

Hire policeman - new neighbors very loud, disruptive. Cut down on costs of individuals - water, sewer, taxes.

I am content where I live.

I am happy to live in Heidelberg Twp. If we are able to preserve the natural spaces, the Township will continually be a better place to live, as those spaces become more rare in nearby townships.

I am proud to be a resident for over 25 years. We need to keep pace with the times. Why put sewer in but not public water baffles me.

I am proud to be a resident. We need to work together to provide a community for young families to live and grow. Offer more public spaces.

I am proud to be a Township resident. We need a place to get rid of our lawn trash.

I enjoy being a resident just wish I didn't have so much water in my yard.

I enjoy living here because it is a country atmosphere but it doesn't really offer much, but that is what I want.

I enjoy living here. It's a great place to raise my kids.

I enjoy the newsletter to keep us updated in the Township. I would love to see if the rail trail can somehow continue toward 501.

I enjoy the sense of community. a police presence other than State Police only - protection needs to be added. Parks that we currently have need to be maintained and slowly upgraded.

I enjoy the township. Most areas are maintained and adequate for most residents. We need to keep a close watch on revenues and how the \$ are spent.

I feel blessed

I feel blessed to be part of this community

I feel good.

I feel it is a great place to live and raise children - quiet and small, yet accessible to larger cities. Keep down the development of farm lands - too important to lose.

I feel privileged to live in such a beautiful place. A community center for all ages.

I feel we should have a police dept.

I have enjoyed living here for 35 years.

I like being a Heidelberg resident. It's a peaceful place with beautiful country sides. I've been here 34 years.

I like being a resident. Don't make too many changes.

I like being a resident. Lower the burden of sewer costs. lower burden of school/property taxes to single home owners with no children in school.

I like it here and want you to keep up the good work.

I like it. Don't know that anything needs to change.

I like it. Keep wide shoulders on roads - safer to walk, bike, sc=koot.

I like it. Lower sewer bills.

I like living here and plan on staying. Repave 897.

I like living here and will continue to. More affordable and more community events.

I like living here, but it would be nice to have a few more conveniences.

I like living here!

I like living here! But the mix of people is changing with more homes being turned into apartments owned by absentee landlords, as the older people go into assisted living or die off. I think we should consider some way to protect and preserve the historic district - it is part of the charm of the village.

I like living here. I am grateful you are even asking this question! To me it shows you care. Police (local) is my biggest concern.

I like living here. Keep it a small town, please.

I like living here. Leave everything the way it is.

I like living in Heidelberg. Maybe get a part-time cop.

I like living in the Township.

I like the rural living in this Township. The Township should supply public sewer in areas it is needed.

I love it (2 responses tallied)

I love it here

I love it here. Keep it as is.

I love it. Be mindful, when residents talk to you.

I love little Schaefferstown! We are close enough to Lebanon, Lancaster, Reading, even Myerstown to supply what we can't get here.

I love living here with freedom to make sensible choices to maintain our property.

I love living in Heidelberg Township!

I love raising my family here. Forcing residents to participate in water and sewer through the city is not only unjust, but a ridiculous ploy for the Township to make money.

I love the area as it is, that is why I wanted to return to it.

I moved from Philadelphia (city) out this way because of the beautiful farms, woodland, and nature (wildlife). Let's keep it that way.

I really like the quiet neighborhood.

I think as it is now it is for the most part perfect.

I think we should have police patrol. Then in a problem with people driving too fast we have a lot of wildlife on the roads and our Amish community. Please we need to slow down.

I wouldn't mind taxes if the township offers anything - but I pay outrageous taxes and have nothing to show for it - except force to tie into sewer/water.

I/we feel great NOW. Stop trying to change rural lifestyle.

I'm a transplant but have enjoyed living here for 30 years.

I'm proud to be a resident. I do feel tha some of the recent issues have to do with growth in the Township.

I'm satisfied.

I've been here all my life, want it to stay rural and not turn into over developed township like others around us.

I've lived here now 65 years and we have a great townhsip. But I've noticed since we have no police force the speeding and reckless driving on the main highways and side roads has increased dramatically. The state police aren't doing enough to stop and control this.

Improve "communityness". Lost when lost grade school. Hard to correct.

Improve roads

Improved public playground

Install playground in Schaefferstown.

ISSUES with 897 [attached questionnaire]

It is great already.

It is okay, but I wish there were better restaurants.

It would be a better and safer place if there were local police. In the rural area there are many incidents, but by the time the state police arrive the culprits are gone.

It's already perfect - it's why we came here.

It's great! Maybe do more road work.

It's OK - getting too big. Not quiet like it was 23 years ago.

Keep big development out and small development

Keep development company converting farm land and mountain land into commercial or more housing

Keep development out. Place recycle bins at the Township Building for 24/7 deposits of recyclable products.

Keep drugs out of this community. Like the Twp. but feel much additional development will spoil the character.

Keep it nice and quiet.

Keep low income buildings out of Township, sad to say, they tend to bring in alot of troublesome people.

Keep out development as much as possible. I moved here 46 years ago to get away from that.

Keep small town Schaefferstown a small town. Keep upgrading the fire, ambulanc and police.
Keep the town like it is - small and peaceful.
Keeping taxes low
Keller airstrip activities need to be addressed.
Lack of growth - HT needs to realize they must add services and expand to atract great new people!
Leave it alone!
Leave well enough alone. Maintain the Township roads.
Like it just the way it is.
Like it the way it is.
Like living in Schaefferstown.
Like the Twp. Keep it that way.
Limit unnecessary restrictions, fees, regulations. Do not lose the small town feels, yet allow growth, etc.
Listen to the residents.
Lived here 34 years; basic community is the same; promote professional/art and craft community festivals
Local public transit and the development of a supported community center tied to parks recreation through volunteerism.
Love it (2 responses tallied)
Love it / very proud! Keep low income housing OUT!
Love living here! Like it just the way it is!
Love loving in Heidelberg Township
Lower the cost of public sewer
Lower property taxes (2 responses tallied)
Lower taxes for retired people
Lower the price of water and sewer and get better water. I had better water when I lived in Kville.
Lower water/sewer bill
Make it cheaper to live in.
Make it easier for farmers to make improvments for cattle and quality of life.
More parks, walking trails
Need controlled growth
Nice place to live. Keep taxes down.
No complains (sic) everone is a good person.
No complaints.
No more development
No opinion
NOt a resident

Not real happy over the last 4 years. Neighbor's dogs over 4 years barking. It's not nice anymore. Cause township can't and won't do anything. Can't even enjoy sitting out in yard and relaxing in peace and quiet.

Nothing

Nothing. Its good the way it is.

OK. Fast food restaurant.

Overall - good

Part time - we both like it the way it is.

Pleased!! Nice area.

Police department

Police presence - safety comes just after food, water and shelter

Police protection

Police protection; family playground; keep small as possible

Police!

Proud to be a resident of Township.

Proud to be residents of this beautiful community.

Proud. Keep trouble out.

Proud. Preserve, protect what this entity is. Be open to change that is positive and debated. Keep politics out of the above.

Put a stop to the use of liquid manure. In the near future the groundwater will be CONTAMINATED. Just like Europe.

Put our electric lines underground. It would improve appearance of our area and avoid power outages. Put some pressure on the cable company to improve our internet service.

Quietness and small town feel. Keep the township as a small town - no big box businesses.

Rec programs would make it feel like a community again. A place is needed for the kids to play. Losing the school - lost the playground.

Reduce property taxes.

Reinstate police force. Put street lights on West end of Heidelberg Avenue.

Residents of this community are polite, kind and friendly. The township should focus all efforts to reduce water and sewer rates.

Restore police

Satisfied

School taxes are too high for seniors.

So far it has been a greta place to live but I have learned that the zoning laws are very restrictive and can make growth cost prohibitive.

So far, so good!

Stay out of landowners' business.

Stop allowing several 200-300 ft poultry barns to be built on any 10 acre parcel or close to residential areas.

There are some issues with properties that should be cleaned up.

They could work towards paving the stone section of Valley View Road. Repair - Albright Road has some bumps/dips from sewer project.

They're currently doing a pretty good job.

This is a great place to live!

This is a very pleasant area to live and work. It would be my preference to allow private individuals to bring improvements to our Township simply from personal vision and inspiration.

Very good place to live

Very good. Keep the Township a rural country life style and support the farms and farming in the Township.

Very thankful to be here and look forward to living here the rest of our professional lives.

Watch raising taxes.

Watch the Twp Taxes - a bit high.

We are all happy to be HT residents. We would like growth control. A better means of communication with residents regarding water/sewer, etc. issues - either on website or an auto phone notification.

We are blessed to live in this community.

We enjoy it for the most part.

We enjoy living here - wish it weren't so expensive w/ taxes and sewer.

We enjoy living here. Pave the road in front of our home!!

We enjoy living here. The more people, the more problems. Keep multi housing out and massive developments. Farm lands will be the most important in the future, along with forests and watersheds.

We enjoy living in a small, quaint town.

We enjoy living in the Township. Keep cost as low as possible. Keep on reminding certain residents about their properties being an eyesore.

We feel good about being a resident here. Pave the roads.

We have enjoyed it. It has been a positive experience. Promote business to have more local jobs.

We like it here.

We like it the way it is! (2 responses tallied)

We like living here.

We like living here. We can co-exist despite differences.

We like living in the township. Maybe more security with a policeman.

We like reading the township newsletter

We live on South Market Street and realize the purpose of the speed bumps - but get tired of driving over them!

We love it here! We do need a cop and also community information and connections (need more ways for people who are new to the area to find out about stuff and become part of the community).

We love it here. Add a few more amenities, but avoid overdevelopment.

We love it. Make it like it was 25 years ago (without police force).

We love living here and are very satisfied.

We love living here; however, the price of sewer and water is absolutely ridiculous! Lower the cost of the sewer and water!

We love living here.

We love living here. Keep the Natural Gas Liquids Pipelines away or we and others will be selling and moving. Including your farmers.

We love living in our town. Keeping it a quiet/industry free village.

We love living in Schaefferstown because of the distance from city problems. Do as much as possible to keep city problems out of the Township.

We love living in the Township. We think you should continue to support local historical sites as well as our agricultural heritage,

We love the area and the small town feel. Do all you can to attract small businesses to the area (lower sewer rates for example).

We love the rural small town setting and atmosphere. We should maintain the rural small town character of Heidelberg Township.

We love the township and hope to build a small home on our land and retire there in the next few years.

We love the Township. It's why we bought land on Mill Road - to build a home for growing family and stay in town.

We need local police protection.

We really like living here.

We really like where we live along Distillery Road. We're sort of in the woods, out in the country, and yet close to main roads. We're not far from town, where we can go out to eat or shop, yet away from traffic in a secluded area where we can enjoy our back yard.

We think it's a great place to live.

We truly do enjoy living here. It's our little piece of paradise and has become a wonderful place to call home.

We're happy! Need a more convenient gas station.

While not a full-time resident at this time, we will be in a year or so. As mentioned previously, we like the rural atmosphere,

You have some large employers and stores. But overall a lot of small shops and businesses. Good job! Also promote agriculture.

38. Additional thoughts, comments or concerns.

"HAPPY FACE" DRAWING

(1) Concerned about the fertilizer stench. Unfair to community members. (2) Bad idea to add cheap developments. Will attract the "wrong" people. (3) We need a policeman (here).

(1) Do not let corporations or businesses manipulate laws or ordinances for their benefit or gain. Keep out commercial sprawl along our bypass and byway. (2) Important to maintain a sense of community, hold activities that bring people together, and support our local groups and businesses who work hard to contribute to our town.

(1) I'm disappointed with the 300% increase in my property taxes in 5 years I live in the Twp - forcing me to go Clean and Green; (2) Small home businesses are the life blood of rural communities. The Township should make it easier for family businesses to operate out of agricultural/residential zoning; (3) our recent small chicken barn permitting/construction project went smoothly. The Township office was professional and prompt.

(1) In going through the new home construction process, I've been pretty disappointed by the Engineer (Hanover Assoc) and how poorly I was treated - especially since we are existing township residents. (2) The stormwater plans that are being required on an existing/empty lot is excessive. Even the Lebanon County's Planning and Zoning Office feels it is out of line. (3) Natural gas would be a great utility to add and save residents money for our homes.

(1) Pay outrageous bill for sewer that I did NOT choose to put in. Was forced to do by Township. (2) Paying both Lebanon and Heidelberg Twp sewer. (3) Paying my property taxes at a different remote unknown location. Not on 5th Street Court House anymore. Very out of my way. (4) Having my property reassessed and made higher - even though no improvements on my house. (5) See a public landfill for household waste as opposed to having to pay for trash removal. (6) Community street repaved after a sewer dig ups.

(1) Southeastern Pennsylvania has some of the best soil for growing things in the United States and Heidelberg Township has the best soil in southeastern Pennsylvania!! Why do you want to pave over it for big-box stores, townhouses, etc.? Just say NO to any future development! Let's keep at least one township away from the greasy hands of developers. Keep it preserved for our children and grandchildren. (2) The state police do a fine job. We do not need a local police force. (3) The current Township Supervisors are doing an excellent job at keeping taxes low. Keep up the good work!

(1) We need a cop. (2) We need ways to make it more of a community and to welcome people. "Get to know" neighbors and what there is around here. (3) Mail service - not out of Newmanstown.

(see #36) What other issues are there that have been put off and not dealt with? The sewer project was fought so long and now costs everyone so much as opposed to if it had been handled 30 years ago. So are there other issues that must be adopted sooner or later? The sewer was NECESSARY; what else is necessary, that needs to happen on way or another? Food for thought: No, I don't attend township meetings and am not well informed,

A job well done on the bypass and sewer projects - both much needed. Thanks!

Absolutely no low income housing - but senior housing OK.

According to housing websites the values of our homes have decreased over the past two years. In addition, it is more difficult to sell a home in this area. Township officials need to do more to reduce water and sewer rates to attract new residents, I'm looking to relocate due to the high rates.

After spending over 10,000 dollars for sewer, we cannot afford public water. I have a well with a purification system. I wish there was a place to dispose of leaves and tree limbs. Rt 897 is very rough from the sewer installations. hard to sleep at night because of trucks and trailers hitting the bumps.

Agricultural restrictions on property are ridiculous!

As a resident on Valley View dirt road I wish it was paved or better maintained. In winter the ruts are so bad you can't even steer your car - you go where the ruts take you.

As you will note most suggestions on this survey is to add more expenses to our community and which in turn will add more taxes and very tired of paying.

Change property taxes to more of a broad-based tax.

Concern about the high quarterly sewer fees and the hardship it places on many homeowners in Schaefferstown and Kville. Some properties that need it most are not able to hook up due to fees.

Concerns (1) Having a local police force. Allowing township residents to attend meetings without limiting them to a 3 minute speaking time. Elected officials need to be honest and trustworthy. Listen to the residents. Be honest when dealing with residents. In the past you have taken money that did not belong to the Twp. You also are letting the residents in the dark as to how it is being repaid. I know the state police cover Heidelberg, but we rarely see them in our area! Definition Webster's Dictionary - Honest - free from fraud, upright, just.

DO NOT ever treat any other roads with junk you put on Valley View dirt road a few years back, we only drove on it one time and we were washing stones and junk out from under our car for months afterward. Feel sorry for folks who had to drive that road every day. Can't imagine all the junk in undercarriage of their vehicles. Not an improvement! Why not just blacktop it as there are many homes on that road? What about money twp owes to EIT? Please don't plan on taxing us to death to be able to pay it back. Twp should have known they were not supposed to have that money. It is time for people who care about twp residents to be voted into twp office, instead of always the same ones! Same ones keep doing same things and not trying to protect and improve our twp! GET A LOCAL POLICE FORCE - TOP PRIORITY!! Thank you!!

Don't force things on residents. There was nothing wrong with my septic tank - the sewer is EXPENSIVE and there is no real value that was added because of it. I now have a \$300+ bill every three months for something that cost approx. \$300 a year! I had no say in this and was forced to comply. Have better communication with residents. Have meetings on Sat. or have residents vote on issues.

Don't make big changes.

Don't make us pay for your mistake with EIT!

Don't raise anymore taxes.

Enforce the ordinance of NO boats, RVs, trailers parked on the street or front yard. We can all get along with each other if we want to. There are diverse groups in the township and we can respect each other.

Faded street signs need replaced. Do better job with snow removal. No brake retarders on 419 hill to stop sign at square. Speed bumps on North Carpenter Street. Repace Signs: (1) 15 MPH sign at school on Oak Street; (2) Dead End signs on Carpenter Street; (3) Speed sign on Carpenter Street heading north.

Get gutter or stream along 897 cleaned to prevent flooding on 897 and prevent accidents.

Good job at governance with the resources available.

Have a Heidelberg resident only cook-out (annually).

Have none!

Having a husband that was a PA State Policeman and a son that is a PA State Policeman is why I feel we need a local department. It's upsetting to me when I hear people talk about the State Police for not arriving fast enough at a scene. They truly do have a large area to cover, which means they could be a distance from a call.

How are you going to pay back the money to EIT without uppen (sic) the taxes. Don't forget you have alot of retired people living in the Township on fixed income and we don't get raises as the Goverment people do. What are you using the money that you used to pay the police force. Snow removal could be better in our development. Push snow fack further and open intersection better.

How could the massive tax scandal happen? Who is being held responsible? Why are heads not rolling?

How to organize Township business in an efficient and sensible manner.

I appreciate our snowplowing crews in the winter time and the extra hours they put in. I would like if they would consider plowing from curb to curb and cleanup the intersections where possible. I also realize that salt uses a lot of tax money but mixing a little in with the anti-skid would be appreciated as well. Overall, I think snow removal is done very well even when it blows and drifts. Thank you. I plowed snow for the state for several winters and my dad served as a township supervisor for many years. I appreciate each one of the supervisors and township employees and their efforts to serve the community.

I am a homemaker. I spend the majority of my life at home. Your Heidelberg Township Comprehensive Plan has changed my life drastically since 2008. Though my husband employed the three supervisors to consider the effect that a "Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation" would have right aside of our home and how our quality of life would be diminished, it was to no avail. You made a decision and never followed up on the consequences and how it affected me, the residnet. You made decisions and never made sure that the "Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations implemented them and the concerns we had came to fruition. I have spent the last seven years with a daily horrendous smell (not able to hang wash, open windows, or even enjoy the outside of my property), rats, flies, buzzards, glare, etc. I have lived in the country all my life and I know that there are times of the year that the farmers spread their manure but this smell is daily from the Concentrated Amino Acid Feeding Operation. I started to fill out your "important township survey" but your questionnaire is a slap in the face to someone whose daily life and property has been altered by this Township Supervisors decisions. In 2008 the Supervisors didn't represent my needs and wishes as a Heidelberg resident and I have no faith that you would today. You want me to tell you what I like most about this Township. You want me to number the three most important qalities of life in the townshp. Try this on for size. 1. Be able to hang wash without having it smell when I take down. 2. Be able to open my windows on a warm day and to have to spend money on AC because of the stench outside infiltrating my home. 3. Sit on my swing with my husband and not be chased inside because of the odor. It doesn't sound like too much to ask from a faithful tax-paying resident for the last 25 years. Truly how concerned are you with the needs and wishes of the people you represent? If you read through my letter, thank you for taking the time. If you would care to respond please feel free to do so. I will pray for that you do put the needs and wishes of the residents you represent before anything else. PS: I live by the Golden Rule. "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you". Would you like an Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation in your back yard? I can truly tell you that I would not have done to you what you did to me, nor would I today. [Homemaker Dianne Buchmoyer]

I am concerned about the money owed to EIT. 6% tax on the money owed? Really. I do not have a money tree in my back yard to pay for all these tax increases.

I encourage leaders to focus most attention to maintaining civil rights of the populace. We want to deter drug traffic, vandalism, and all other criminal activity. We should protect and promote busineses so that our youth find opportunity and incentive, close to home, for labor and productivity.

I feel that local government should grow only as much as it is absolutely forced to, and interfere with nothing that doesn't threaten life or property. I found the scope of this questionnaire disturbing.

I have never heard of any place that has taxpayers that doesn't have at least one police officer.

I like that the 501 bypass was built. It allows traffic to move through the Township with less impact. I encourage the kind of changes that look forward to a time when open spaces will be more rare and that allows us to still have them when other townships may have lost them due to not planning ahead.

I miss some of the community events of the past - usually centered around the kids and Schaefferstown Elementary.

I think the biggest concern should be - how is the Township going to pay back the over one million dollars they were overpaid by EIT!

I think the Township has the potential to become a thriving community tied to the historical past of the region, the beauty of nature and the inclusion of modern conveniences for the improvement of the quality of life.

I was happy when we lost our police force. I thought it was a waste of money. That is until something bad happened to my friend and neighbor. He had an incident where his ex-wife and son showed up at his house in the middle of the night and refused to leave. When the State Police finally arrived, they ended up arresting him - not the trespassers. I don't believe that would have happened if we had local law enforcement.

I would desire little change, growth should be very slow and limited.

I would hate to see large developments (ex: Newburg Village in Newmans town). More people bring more problems.

If you want more industry, we need a police department.

Improve 897 west of Schaefferstown.

ISSUES with 897 [attached questionnaire]

It would be nice to have mail delivery. Since there is no cop, it would also be nice to have more speed bumps on side streets that lead off to main roads. North Carpenter Street being one of them since drivers fly up that way cutting across to Oak Street, then flying down the alley out to 501.

Keep small businesses going strong ... woodshops, excavators, fabricating shops, ...

Keep the "Terry Swingholmes" out of our Township. His type is embarrassing and nuisance.

Leave things the way they are.

Limit rules, regulations, taxes, etc. If people want micro-management of their township - let them move to another township. Let freedom reign!

Look at what Lititz is doing.

Love the community: churches, parades, historic schaeffertown schaeffer farmette, social activities including community

Lower sewer bills would make this the IDEAL place to live.

Lowering the cost of public utilities so people can afford to live in this town!

More should be done to keep streets and road signs clean. Thank you.

Most other communities in Lebanon County have curbside recycling. We are years behind offering this service.

My wife and I moved here 28 years ago because we liked the rural location with lots of undeveloped spaces for nature and farmland. Since then, the amount of traffic, cars and trucks, has greatly increased. The roads can not accommodate more road traffic. Increasing housing and industry in Heidelberg Township will make our roads even more congested. The majority of residents in H.T. would rather drive to Lebanon, Lititz, Lancaster, Reading for the things that are offered there and do not want to bring that lifestyle to our area. *Once you turn open spaces into developed land, you can NEVER go back.

Need a gas station that has room for more pumps and parking

Need ordinances for weed control, snow removal.

No chicken houses.

No comment - I feel it's useless.

Obie Road needs gutters graded out to Crown Road, so rain water can run at edge of road.

Old Mill Road needs to be resurfaced.

Our three major concerns are; Air Quality, safety, increased taxes. (1) Work toward cleaner air by creating and enforcing waste management plans geared to treatment procedures that reduce odors and airborne contaminants. All citizens have a right to clean air. (2) Reinstate a local police force, if only one police officer, our citizens deserve and require a safe place to live. (3) Continue to work toward reducing property taxes related to school taxes.

Pave the road in front of our home!!

People who move into the Township need to realize that this is a farming community with cows, chickens and various farming activities. The Township should not try to change from an agricultural area to something else to please people who do not like farming in their backyard.

Permanent and expanded recycling opportunities - whether drop-off site or (better) curbside collection.

Please consider a barking ordinance. We can't even sit outside anymore. I'm OK with hearing dogs now and then - but not for 24 hours or more, and no one seems to care. Feel free to contact me anytime. By the way, three different families told the owners about the barking - all of us were very kind to them - NO CHANGE, still barking!!

Please continue to promote small at home, Mom and Pop businesses. And discourage large chain stores and shopping malls.

Please keep us a huge farming community; do not expand into townhouse and development living everywhere. WE NEED FARMERS!!

Please let us know how this survey turns out.

Post office moved to back street near carnival grounds - way too congested on Main Street. Too dangerous pulling in and pulling out.

Pray for our Country, it's going down hill fast. The good news in the end God wins. Amen!!

Probably nothing can be done but there seems to be many single family homes that are being bought and then turned into rental properties. I see some of the homes starting to deteriorate because of this. People that own the home that they live in usually take more pride and take better care of their property.

Put stop sign at Sheep Hill Road and Caanan Grove Road. Lots of close calls there.

Question 12 response: We have been pumping our septic tanks every 2-3 years since new. If you made everybody do this (like you should) you wouldn't need public sewer. A little uneasy about Questions 9-11; everyone I know doesn't have any issues with well water, however: If we were to answer "YES" to questions relating to expansion, development and population growth; WELL of course we know that that leads to full fledged public water and sewer, higher taxes, more crime (very little currently), more people on payroll, etc. and wouldn't make this area any better to live than the outskirts of Lebanon City! So - it seems to us that what has been progressively going on for almost 25 years has been slowly but surely chipping away at the rural old small town community that we used to know. Whoever came up with this Question 27 - you are scaring us. Question 29/30 sounds like a ploy to build more parks and/or 25 other "desparately" needed facilities for your (township officials) already planned progressive expansion.

Reduce speed of traffic in Schaefferstown local streets - control heavy truck traffic. Lancaster Avenue and Market Street need better speed bumps (axel snappers).

Roads are terrible too

Sewer bill, sewer bill, sewer bill!!!

Sewer costs are extremely high. Why are we pay (sic) debt fee after the \$5000 fee?

Should combine sewer and water bill.

Since the improvements to South Market Street, we have received lots of water in our basement. What can be done to fix the problem, as we didn't have this issue prior to raising the road several inches? In the past 40 plus years we only had water in the basement twice (Agnes and Hurricane Lee). Our location is 113 South Market Street - please advise.

Sinclair and South Market Street intersection - move stop sign to South Market Street side. Put stop sign at the end of Canaan Grove Road and remove yield sign on Sheephill Road.

Some great improvements have been achieved over the past 5 years. Sewage/the bypass are 2 majors. We have also had a few major failures: closing the school; disbanding the police department. A long term comprehensive plan needs to be developed and followed. Please try and keep a good community good.

Speed control for new high school; kids speed on Carpenter Street and don't stop for bus when stop sign out. Lower sewer bill!

Speed limit 35 for 897 to Lebanon! We cross the road for mail.

Still doing a good job with roads and snow removal. Leave residents be to control their own property. We supposedly own our property but still have to the govt a rent every year.

Stop using so many cinders over winter on the roadway, use more salt. In mid winter our side roads have that many cinders applied it looks like the roadway was chipped, and you can't pull away at intersections without the tires spinning on all the cinders. To me this is hazardous and many other residents are also complaining about this issue. We have good equipment and a good road crew, but stop dumping the cinders on the roadway in such huge amounts, and apply more salt.

Street lights on Valley View Road

SUGGESTION: Schedule a spring clean up day. Get groups like scouts, Lions, etc. - volunteers, churches, businesses, together. Provide dumpsters for folks to get rid of junk/debris and litter/clutter. Volunteers to assist elderly or those in need with minor repairs and fix-up, clean up, maybe even plant some flowers. Help to create a sense of pride in the community and bring folks together. PS - Find a solution for the trucks on Church Street. If they need to turn from Heidelberg Ave - get the appropriate space to widen Church Street and do it properly!

Taxes (property) are too high compared to other areas that offer more services, making it almost unaffordable to make ends meet for the middle class.

Thank you for considering our interests and opinions. We appreciate the fact that you took the time to consider our feelings and to ask us what we think about the direction of Heidelberg Township.

Thank you for keeping us citizens informed and getting our feedback.

Thank you for the opportunity to voice our opinions!

Thank you for the opportunity.

Thanks for doing a good job on snow removal!

Thanks for doing up with us had live there over 40 years enjoyed every day

Thanks for working hard and sending out this survey to understand the public opinion.

The expense of the sewer system has put an extremely heavy burden on the hard working owners or tenants. Find other ways to remove the \$169 debt service fee! How can a person pay over \$300 for their sewer plus the water bill? Some of our tenants pay \$477 per quarter for water and sewer. This is very hard to keep these folks in their home. These high water and sewer bills also makes the Township less desirable to attract future residents and tenants.

The five propoerties that Jay and Darlene Kurtz own are complete assets for old age. What happens to the properties depends on what happens in our lives. Intensive agriculture can be harmful to small farmers. Future development difficult to predict people's wants and dislikes and needs. Need jobs for pay and survive, open spaces to enjoy and refresh one's inner self, place to grow food - all in respect to ones lives.

The stone covered Valley View Road could use more attention. It was very muddy in the winter/spring. Also, we have a bus stop at Valley View and Gravel Hill and it is a problem ice area becasue of not being touched by the sun, and steepness of the road. We appreciate the swift snow removal, and oiling of the stones in summer.

The Township should repair the water tolls under Mountain Trail Road to eliminate frequent flooding and ponding of water on the road. This would also eliminate our erosion and rodent issues. There is quite a bit of "on street" parking happening on the northern half of Mountain Trail Road (one residence in particular) and two cars cannot travel by each other because of the parking in the roadway. The crew painting lines on the road skipped an area because of the parked cars. Come by evenings and weekends!

The township needs a community center (such as the YMCA) or a Senior Center (ex. those in Alden Place or Arbor Gate) for activities and entertainment. A professionally run day care is also needed.

The wooded areas of the township near Game Lands and Middle Creek suffer from Gypsy Moth infestation. 2015 they are back. Spring 2016 will be bad. Townhsip needs to get in the Spray Program and allow residents to sign up. Gypsy Moths wipe out entire wood lots and kill trees, It is NOT a natutal insect to the USA and PA. Preserve the beauty of the woods.

There are towns nearby that pay less for water and sewer than we do for water alone. It's very difficult to pay these bills.

There is a problem of people dumping junk along Hammer Creek - Michter Road - dirt road area.

To keep the small town lifestyle - no overdevelopmnet.

Too much agriculture zoned land.

Township does not appear to be incredibly supportive of existing businesses. Township should solicit input from local businesses in order to keep those businesses from leaving the Township and to foster a business/government partnership for economic growth and development.

Very concerned about developments moving into the Township. No benefits should be provided to Township Supervisors. This includes health care benefits. The Township should consider being proactive and look at possible regulations regarding drone usage. Drones can be an invasion of privacy!

We are a rural area and I think we can't expect to have many of the things that a larger city does. More parks, bike paths and even public utilities are a waste of money. Please stick to keeping up the services we have and reject any so called "matching grant" type projects that the state or federal government might try to offer you. we can't afford more taxes.

We are in close proximity to all kinds of services and opportunities (from jobs to recreation), and we should limit development into areas that are already developed and maintain as much forested, wetland and agricultural land as possible.

We bought the land several years ago and the taxes jumped very much in the last years. We see a lot of names and land for sale since then, which concerns us. We also worry about future tax hikes. Thank you!

We DO NOT want public water. Our well has better water than the public water. I don't want to pay for public water and have to also buy drinking water. We didn't want sewer either, but we had to get hooked up, so then again we have more expense. We never had any problems with our septic system. I also don't understand why we get a sewer bill, but are not even hooked up to it yet.

We have no suggestions for improvement.

We live on 897 before K-ville and speeding vehicles are a problem. Always a concern are the expenses of living here - school taxes and now quarterly sewer bills. Response time on Township ordinance violations could improve!

We need a police department!

We need new personnel in the Twp Supervisors Dept.

We own 10.68 acres at 6 Oxford Drive. Sunoco Logistics has bullied us for the past 2 years to run hazardous liquids, high pressure, volatile NGL pipelines right through the middle of our property with the Mariner East 1 and Mariner East 2 projects. They have only offered us \$10,840, yet want to come within feet of our front porch, well, pool. They want to cut down \$1700 worth of sustainable forest land and \$63,000 worth of planted trees, perennials and landscaping. They want to dig up our driveway and drive equipment all over it. And what do we get from all this? We get to keep paying the property taxes and live with safety concerns and less privacy. They only grade and reseed and stack logs for us. Watch the Sellus Wilder film "End of the Line." This is what will cause us and others to be unhappy and possibly move unless this community does what it can, like many in Kentucky did, to stop these people. Make them pay us and other landowners and improve our township if they must come through here.

We really like living here. We think the area churches and the services they provide are a vital part of the community. We wish we had recycling.

We rent two farms on 897 back from the road. The farmer has rented from us for 20+ years and we do not live in Heidelberg Township. I am not able to fill out most of the form because I am not a local resident. I hope this is sufficient. If not, let me know (phone#).

We would like to see improvements - e.g., sidewalks, lighting, in the historic downtown area and along the Scenic Byway. I understand a sidewalk ordinance needs to be in place before Schaefferstown would qualify for any grant monies. we are fortunate to have a charming historic town and I'd like to see it preserved and enhanced.

When the US Government had money to give away we had 4 cops. When the Fed's money stopped coming to HT 2 cops were left go and we were down to 2. The Chief retired and then we were down to one. Then Knoll retired and we are at none. What has changed? Cash out slow. Taxes too high. No more police. Too expensive and no pay back. Let retired cops double dip some other place.

Why did the township supervisors not have to hook up to the public sewer? I am concerned that the planning department members are appointed! I believe this is a conflict of interest!

Winter maintenance of roads is excellent. Too many cinders most of the time. The public sewerage costs should be shared by the entire township residents. This system helps everyone's water quality.

Wish the creek behind my house would be cleaned out so water would flow better

Would like to see a combo quarterly bill for water/sewer/trash like other areas have. Much lower would be helpful also - costs are EXTREME here for those 3 items compared to other small towns nearby.

Would love to have a place to dump grass, yard clippings and prunings.

You will do what you want anyway. You feel we have to grow our town with townhouses and apartment complexes, etc. Then you invite more crime and pollution and more ... more ... more ... Good luck with that!

Zoning regulations for farms should be put together by a group of farmers, not people who are nonfarmers or townspeople (no farms - no food).