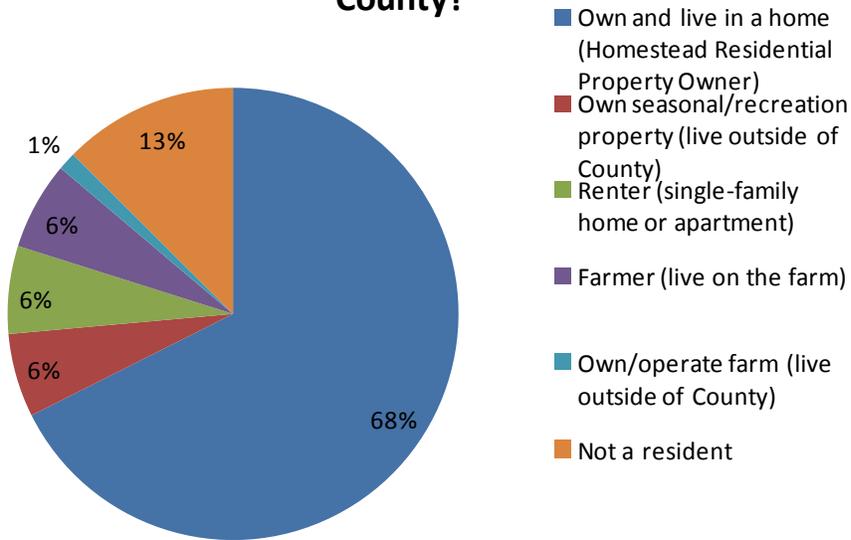




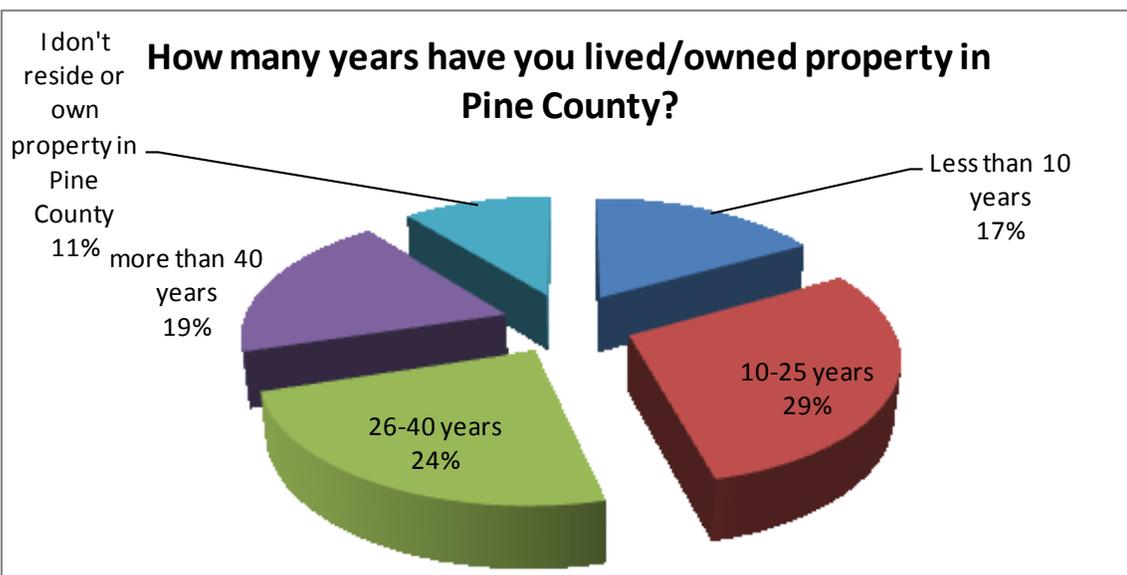
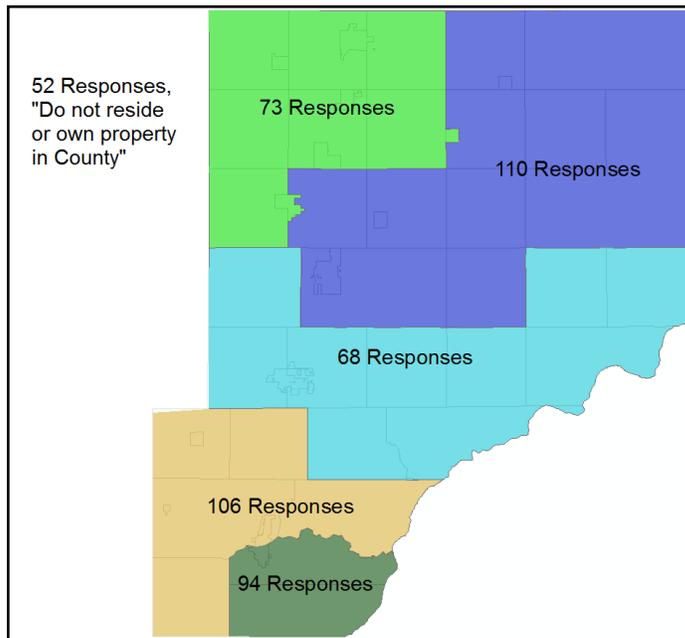
Pine County Community Survey Results

The Pine County Comprehensive Plan Survey took place from January 1, 2016 through February 1, 2016. Surveys were collected electronically through survey-monkey as well as via paper copies. Surveys were dispersed via word of mouth, press releases, and mailings to organizations, cities, and townships. 521 responses were collected.

What best describes your residency in Pine County?

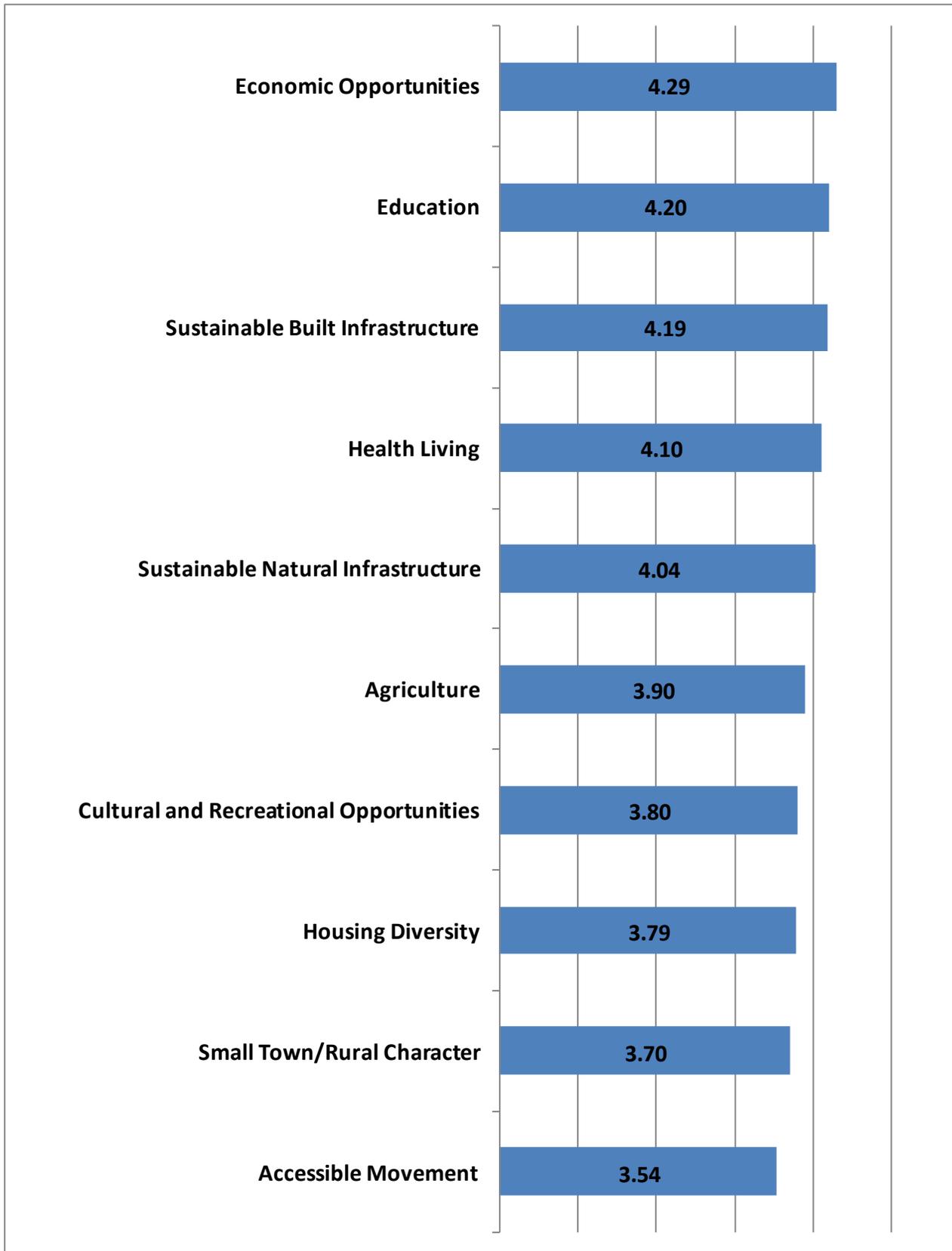


Which commissioner district do you reside in or own property in?



Please rank the following planning priorities for Pine County's Future from 1 to 5.

1= not important. 2= A little important. 3=Fairly Imporant. 4=Very important. 5= extremely important.



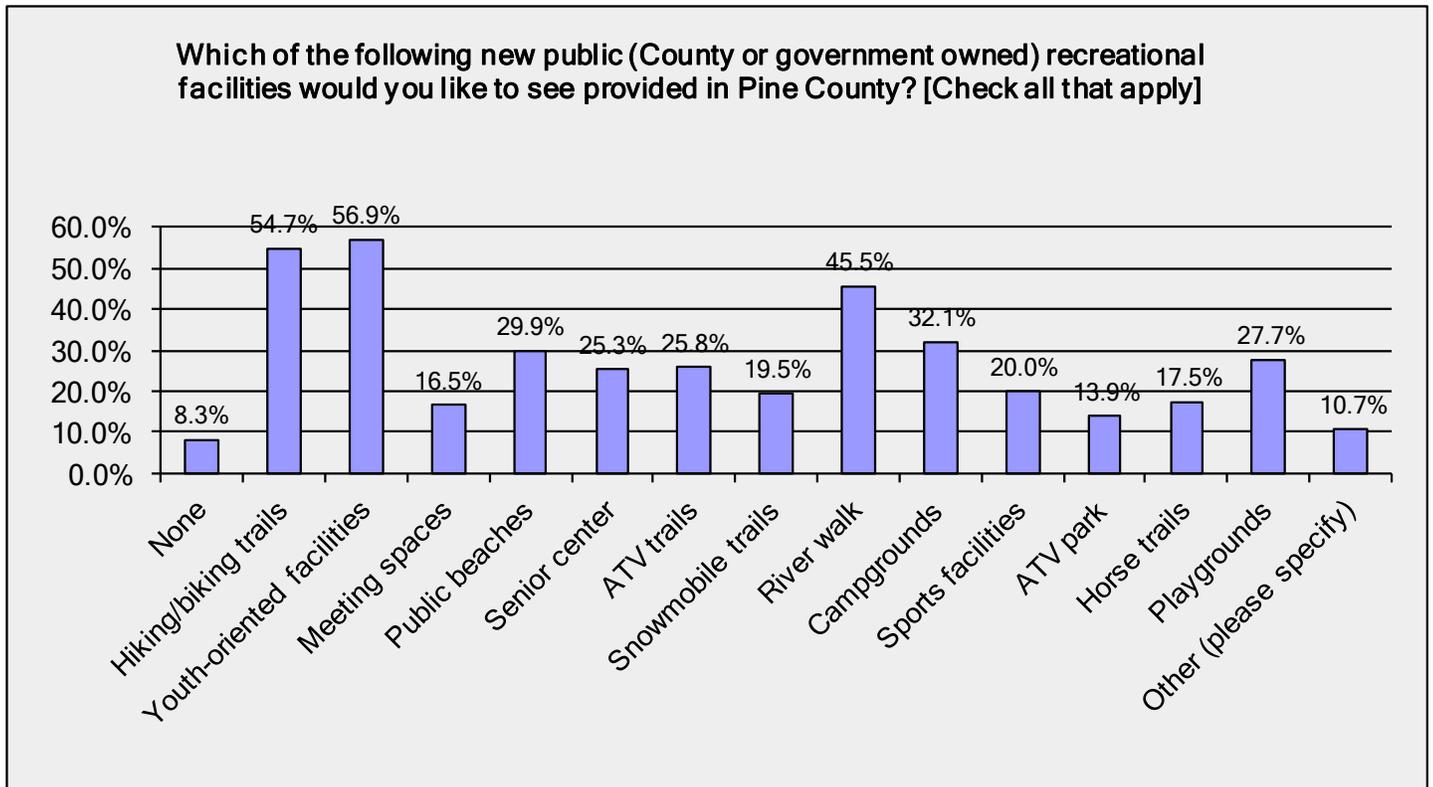
What one thing do you think should be done in the next five years to make Pine County a better place?

Responses were manually categorized.

Category	Count Of Category
Economic Development	91
Reduce drugs and crime	47
Increase recreation	21
Lower taxes	21
Fix blight	20
Better access to high speed internet	18
Protect Environment	16
Support youth and education	15
improved transportation	13
housing services	11
improve public health	10
Govt. criticism	8
NLX Support	6
Implement county wide zoning	5
Less regulation	5
Less welfare	5
Work together	5
Maintain rural character	4
Increase tourism	3
close the casino	2
Improve Infrastructure	2
Limit billboards	2
support public representatives	2
Support townships	2
Be more friendly to new people	1
Better access to public services	1
community development	1
Enhance Recycling	1
Increase amenities	1
increase tax base	1
Less Government Spending	1
Maintain agriculture	1
NLX opposition	1
Oppose county wide zoning	1
Promote Natural resources	1
Promote uniqueness	1
Regulate railroads	1

Looking ahead 20 years, which of the following goals should Pine County be preparing for? 4=High, 3=Medium, 2=Low, 1=Bad idea.

Answer Options	Primary Goal	Secondary Goal	Minor Goal	Bad Idea	Rating Average	Response Count
Be an economic engine with living-wage jobs	290	115	20	5	3.6	430
Strengthen Pine County's Sustainability	49	31	6	0	3.5	86
Protect natural areas and water quality	248	137	43	2	3.47	430
Strengthen Pine County's rural atmosphere	126	180	109	14	2.97	429
Be a center for tourism and recreation	92	184	133	20	2.81	429
Become a "second home" market for visitors	30	125	215	47	2.33	417
Other (please specify)						49



Looking ahead 20 years, what do you believe should be the priorities for land development in Pine County? 4=High, 3=Medium, 2=Low, 1=Bad idea.

Answer Options	High	Medium	Low	Bad idea	Rating Average	Response Count
Ensure that lakeshore development should protect water quality and habitat	271	116	19	4	3.6	410
Maintain agricultural land resources and agricultural practices	193	182	35	2	3.37	412
High quality sensitive natural areas (lakeshore, wetlands, habitat)	201	152	46	6	3.35	405
An active and self-sustaining agricultural and forestry industry	186	158	61	3	3.29	408
New and expanded commercial development along well traveled corridors	184	158	58	7	3.28	407
Protect the character of rural areas (keep rural areas rural)	166	162	74	6	3.2	408
High quality housing, no blighted housing, in higher density areas	148	174	71	11	3.14	404
High quality housing, no blighted housing, in rural Pine County	138	148	94	22	3	402
Limited non-residential uses in rural residential areas	51	147	157	40	2.53	395
A greater mix of uses (including non-residential) in rural residential areas	38	145	171	44	2.44	398
Have more residential subdivisions in County (unincorporated) areas	26	129	179	71	2.27	405
More and Denser development (smaller lots) in high population areas	9	11	35	27	2.02	82
More and denser development (smaller lots) in lakeshore areas	18	53	151	184	1.77	406
Other (please specify)						24

What type of business(es) do you think should be in Pine County? 4=needed, 3=Have this business but need more choices 2=Not needed, already have enough 1=Bad idea.

Answer Options	Needed	Have this business but need more choices	Not needed, already have enough	Better suited for somewhere else	Rating Average	Response Count
Manufacturing Oriented Businesses	186	149	44	18	3.27	397
Small-Scale Restaurant/ Coffee Shop/ Microbrewery	181	147	59	12	3.25	399
Small-scale Retail Shopping	150	175	53	7	3.22	385
Recreation Oriented Businesses	157	158	52	23	3.15	390
Technology/Software	164	138	68	22	3.13	392
Lodging/Bed & Breakfast	143	149	81	19	3.06	392
Chain-Format Restaurants	126	115	104	52	2.79	397
Campground	94	129	136	20	2.78	379
Grocery Stores	72	150	161	8	2.73	391
Transportation Services (taxi, shuttle)	58	175	148	17	2.69	398
Personal Services (salon, auto, etc.)	41	131	214	8	2.52	394
Medical Office	50	109	223	11	2.5	393
Professional Services (legal, accountant, etc.)	37	127	222	7	2.49	393
Large Format Retail (big box or chain stores)	85	80	119	108	2.36	392
Other (please specify)						30