



COMMUNITY SURVEY

Draft: September 2021

INTRODUCTION

In August 2021, the Town of Lyons initiated a process to update the 2010 Comprehensive Plan. The updated plan will articulate the community's shared vision for the future, identify barriers to achieving that vision, and create concrete strategies to overcome those barriers. We need your input to understand the community's vision and develop strategies to achieve it!

This survey asks for your input on topics that will help to shape Lyon's future over the coming decades. The results will be used to identify the most important issues and opportunities facing the community. Your responses will remain anonymous. Thank you for taking the time to support this project!

Tell us about yourself!

Your answers will help us understand how representative respondents are of Lyons as a whole and whether there are any groups whose perspectives we might have missed.

1. How would you describe yourself and where you live?
 - a. Resident of the Town of Lyons
 - b. Resident of Boulder County that identifies the Town of Lyons as "my community"
 - c. Visitor or tourist
 - d. Other (please specify)
2. [For those that answered b above] Where in Boulder County do you live?
 - a. <open-ended response>
3. How long have you lived in Lyons or the surrounding area?

- a. Less than 2 years
 - b. 3 to 5 years
 - c. 6 to 10 years
 - d. 11 to 20 years
 - e. 21 years or more
 - f. Do not live in Lyons or the surrounding area
4. What is your age?
- a. Under 18
 - b. 18 to 24 years old
 - c. 25 to 34 years old
 - d. 35 to 44 years old
 - e. 45 to 54 years old
 - f. 55 to 64 years old
 - g. 65 to 74 years old
 - h. 75 and older
5. What is your total household income?
- a. Less than \$20,000
 - b. \$20,000 to \$35,000
 - c. \$35,000 to \$50,000
 - d. \$50,000 to \$75,000
 - e. \$75,000 or more
 - f. Prefer not to answer
6. What is your race/ethnicity? (Select all that apply)
- a. Hispanic/Latino
 - b. Black/African American
 - c. Asian
 - d. White
 - e. Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
 - f. Native American
 - g. Some other race

7. What brought you to Lyons? (Select all that apply)
 - a. I was born here
 - b. The recreational amenities
 - c. A job/employment
 - d. The scenery/natural beauty
 - e. The small town character
 - f. To live with/near family
 - g. To retire
 - h. Other (please specify)

Our Community

8. In one sentence, how would you describe Lyons to someone who is unfamiliar with the community?
 - a. [open response answer]
9. What do you hope Lyons will be like in 20 years?
 - a. [open response answer]
10. What do you fear Lyons will be like in 20 years?
 - a. [open response answer]
11. Many people mention the community’s “small town character” as something they love about Lyons. What does “small town character” mean to you? [open response answer]

Issues and Opportunities

How would you rate the following in Lyons [1 to 5 scale; 1-poor, 2-alright, 3-fair/average, 4-good, 5-excellent; plus a N/A or Not Sure choice]

1. Housing and Affordability
 - a. Cost of housing
 - b. Availability of a range of housing types (e.g., single-family detached vs. duplexes, townhomes, apartments)
 - c. Availability of rental housing
 - d. Overall cost of living
2. Do you have other comments related to Housing and Affordability or thoughts about locations where additional housing could be supported in Lyons? (Optional)
 - a. <open-ended response>

3. Community Health
 - a. Support for aging populations
 - b. Access to/availability medical care
 - c. Access to/availability of affordable food (not including restaurants)
 - d. Access to/availability of recreational facilities/opportunities
 - e. Childcare/preschool (availability and access)
 - f. Public safety
 - g. Openness and acceptance
4. Do you have other comments related to Community Health? (Optional)
 - a. <open-ended response>
5. Culture and Education
 - a. Educational opportunities (for youth and adults)
 - b. Cultural/music/art events/activities
 - c. Public Art
 - d. Youth activities outside of school
6. Do you have other comments related to Culture and Education? (Optional)
 - a. <open-ended response>
7. Sustainability and Resilience
 - a. Resilience to natural hazards (floods, drought, wildfires)
 - b. Resilience to public health emergencies
 - c. Efforts to support sustainability (such as energy efficiency, water conservation, etc.)
 - d. Quality of our natural environment
 - e. Efforts to support environmental protection
8. Do you have other comments related to Sustainability and Resilience? (Optional)
 - a. <open-ended response>
9. Parks and Recreation
 - a. Quality of our parks
 - b. Quality of our recreational facilities
 - c. Quality of our recreational programs
 - d. Quality of our trails

10. Do you have other comments related to the Parks and Recreation? (Optional)

- a. <open-ended response>

11. Built Environment

- a. Overall quality of the Town's existing building stock
- b. Quality of new development, rehabilitation, or adaptive reuse projects (e.g., changes you've noticed in the last three years or so)
- c. Historic preservation
- d. Overall quality of the public realm (e.g., streets, sidewalks, medians, streetscape)

12. Do you have other comments related to the Built Environment (e.g., things you like or don't like, or thoughts on characteristics that you'd like to see reflected in different parts of Lyons as part of future development)? (Optional)

- a. <open-ended response>

13. Transportation

- a. Condition of walking/biking paths and trails
- b. Ease of travel by walking
- c. Ease of travel by biking
- d. Ease of travel by car
- e. Availability of parking

14. Do you have other comments related to Transportation? (Optional)

- a. <open-ended response>

15. Economic Health

- a. Overall economic health of the community
- b. Ease of starting a business
- c. Ease of expanding a business
- d. Ease of finding/retaining employees
- e. Quality of businesses and services
- f. Shopping opportunities
- g. Employment opportunities
- h. Support for migrant workforce
- i. Support for tourism

16. Do you have other comments related to Economic Health? (Optional)

- a. <open-ended response>
17. What do you think are the biggest issues, challenges, or threats facing the community over the next ten to twenty years? Please feel free to share any additional information about each issue.
- a. Issue #1 [Free response]
 - b. Issue #2 [Free response]
 - c. Issue #3 [Free response]
18. What are three opportunities that should be explored as part of the Comprehensive Plan that could help address these issues? Please feel free to share any additional information about each opportunity.
- d. Opportunity #1
 - e. Opportunity #2
 - f. Opportunity #3
19. Is there anything else you'd like to share regarding issues and opportunities in Lyons?

Thank you!

- I. The Town will be sending out periodic updates regarding the Comprehensive Plan via email. Would you like to sign up to receive email newsletters about this project? If so, please enter you email address in the space below
 - g. Text box

Do you have friends, neighbors, or family members who would be interested in completing this survey? Please share this link with them: [url link to survey]

Thank you for completing this survey! We'll be collecting responses from the community between XX and XX. This input will help inform the topics discussed during our first community event scheduled for XX. Please stay tuned for more information about this event!