



Community Strategic Plan Citizen Survey - 2024

An [electronic version](http://www.capecharles.org) of this survey is also available on the Town's website (www.capecharles.org)

1. Please choose the closest one that applies to you:

- ___ Full-time resident living within the corporate limits of Cape Charles
- ___ Full-time resident within the town limits, who also owns additional property within the town limits
- ___ Resides in Northampton County but outside the corporate limits of Cape Charles
- ___ Owns property within the corporate limits of Cape Charles but maintains a primary residence outside of the town
- ___ Resides outside Northampton County but a frequent visitor to Cape Charles

2. How long have you lived or owned property in Cape Charles? _____ N/A

3. Do you own a business in Cape Charles? Yes ___ No ___

4. Are you employed? Circle the closest one that applies:

Full time part time retired between jobs prefer not to answer

5. Is your employment based primarily from your home? Yes ___ No ___ N/A

6. What is your age? Please circle one: < 30 30-45 45-60 >60 prefer not to answer

7. Do you think Town public services are appropriate for a community of our size? (Police, Finance, Planning/Zoning, Public Works, Library, Harbor, Administration)

Yes ___ No ___ (Please feel free to attach comments)

8. Are you satisfied with the quality of Town public services? (Police, Finance, Planning/Zoning, Public Works, Library, Harbor, Administration)

Yes ___ No ___ (Please feel free to attach comments)

9. Do you feel the Town has maintained or improved its small-town character in recent years?

Yes ___ No ___ (Please feel free to attach comments)

10. The currently vacant railroad property north and east of the harbor has captured the imagination of residents for many years. The issues surrounding clear title to this property that have hampered development are now close to being resolved. As a result, formal planning to guide potential development in this area is ripe for discussion. Please rank the following

statements in order of importance from 1 to 5 (with 1 being the highest importance and 5 being the lowest).

- _____ Development of this area should strive to diversify our economy beyond tourism as much as possible (though it should not detract from existing tourism)
- _____ The character of the current historic district and Mason Avenue should be replicated into this area where appropriate
- _____ Open space, parks, or recreational areas should be included
- _____ Continuation of the historic district street pattern into the harbor area should be considered
- _____ Some percentage of affordable housing options should be factored into planning parameters

What other ideas or concepts should be considered in the development of this area:

11. In reference to our Comprehensive Plan, please indicate which objectives should be focused on in 2025 (mark your top three choices).

- Workforce Housing _____ Healthy Balance (residents & tourists) _____ Expand business _____
 Enhance Walkability _____ Address Parking Issues _____ Coastal Resiliency _____
 Recreational Facilities _____ Other _____ (describe below)

12. What tools do you use to stay in touch with town happenings? Number them in the order you use the most, with 1 being the most used:

- Facebook posts _____ Facebook meetings _____ Gazette _____ Nixle _____
 Town website _____ Weekly staff reports _____ Word of mouth _____ Newspapers _____
 E Notifications _____ CC Happenings _____ Mirror _____

What other method(s) should the Town use to reach out: _____

13. Your Name: _____

Street Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Note: anonymous surveys cannot be counted

May we contact you regarding this survey? Yes _____ No _____

Responses are due back to Town Hall no later than **2:00 pm, January 10, 2025**
 Surveys may be dropped off, mailed (2 Plum St), or scanned and emailed to Clerk@capecharles.org