Mason County - Havana - Manito

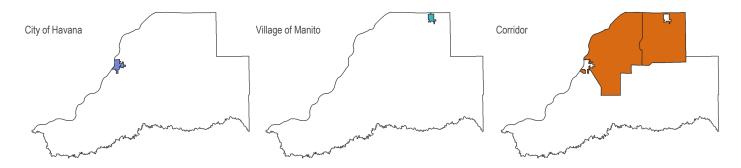


Community Needs Assessment Survey

ABOUT THE SURVEY

Praineland Economic Development Corporation, in partnership with the Illinois Housing Development Authority (IHDA), is undertaking a planning effort in Mason County to expand the capacity of small and rural communities to identify local housing needs, and empower them to take the steps necessary to meet their visions for development. Planning efforts for this partnership will focus on three target areas: the City of Havana, the Village of Manito, and the rural corridor in between those two municipalities. This survey is the first step in our planning process, and engages residents to identify strengths and needs within their community. The results will contribute to the final plan created through this partnership.

We invite all Mason County residents to be a part of this Community Revitalization Strategy process by participating in the Community Needs Assessment Survey. The survey is completely anonymous, and does not collect any identifying information. You should be able to complete it in under 10 minutes. Your participation will help Prairieland Economic Development Corporation identify local needs and goals, and strategize for future planning and investment. The survey first considers several community characteristics such as: Mobility, Community Life, Economy, Education and Wellness, and lastly, Community Engagement and Initiatives. The second portion of the survey further assesses your community input.



COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS

MOBILITY	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Not Applicable
My community Has adequate lighting in public spaces						
Allows for clear sight lines that provide safety in public spaces						
Has recreational paths and walking trails						
Is pedestrian-friendly						
I am able to						
Easily travel by bicycle in my community (bicycle trails, bike lanes)						
Easily travel by car in my community (paved roads, road maintenance)						
Access my downtown/commercial area by my transportation of choice						
COMMUNITY LIFE	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Not Applicable
Housing in my community						
Is in good condition						
Offers options that suit a variety of lifestyles and needs						
Is affordable to households making a variety of incomes						
Is available for the elderly						
(Other)						
There are enough public places for the community (parks, community rooms, squares)						

The cleanliness of downtown is adequate





ECONOMY	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Not Applicable
My community has Adequate commercial and retail development						
Various types of retail establishments						
Various types of dining establishments						
Storefronts that look well-kept and attract shoppers						
A variety of employment opportunities that provide wages that enable employees to live in the community if they choose						
Legal services available						
Adequate financial services (banking)						
I am able to						

Run the majority of my daily errands without leaving my community

Afford to run the majority of my daily errands without leaving my community

EDUCATION AND WELLNESS		Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Not Applicable
There are opportunities and services that meet the needs of my community for	K-12 education						
Post-secondary education	(community college)						
Vocational tra	aining and education						
Job tra	aining and education						
Health services	(hospitals or clinics)						
Pharma	cy care and services						
Adequa	ate childcare options						
Fresh f	ruits and vegetables						
COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT AND INITIATIVE	ES	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neutral	Agree	Strongly Agree	Not Applicable

My community...

Makes plans with its residents' best interests in mind

Works with local business owners to improve public and shared spaces to create a sense of community

Is working to create a positive future for the downtown/square area

When it comes to my community, I am...

Excited by the changes and plans I feel are happening

Aware of opportunities to engage with my community leaders (public or town hall meetings)

> Interested in the opportunity to provide feedback to my community's leaders regarding local issues





COMMUNITY INPUT

1. Please describe any new development, if any, that you believe would most benefit your community:

2. What type(s) of commercial development do you believe would benefit your community?

3. What type(s) of economic development do you believe would benefit your community?

4. Do you think there is need for more housing opportunities for residents in your community? Yes No Not sure 5. What type(s) of housing do you think there is need for in your community? Please select all that apply. Rental housing Homeownership 6. Do you think that your housing costs (rent/mortgage, utilities, property taxes, etc.) are affordable? Yes No Not sure 7. What is the size of your household? 1 person 2-4 persons 5+ persons 8. What is your household income? \$0 - \$30,000 \$30,001 - \$60,000 \$60,001 - \$100,000 \$100,001 or higher 9. How do you learn about things happening in your community? Please select all that apply. Television Radio Newspaper Word-of-mouth Community newsletter City government website Social media (Facebook, Twitter, etc.) Other: 10. Where do you currently reside? City/town/village name:

