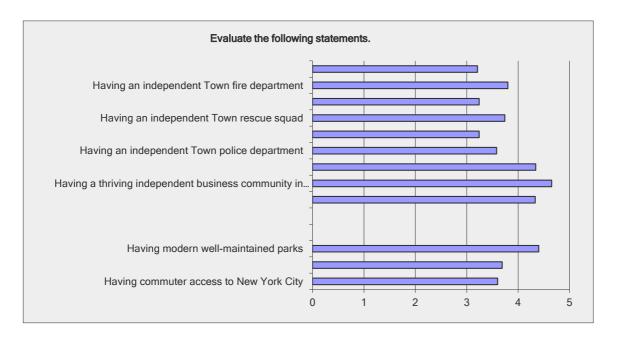


## **Town of Clinton Smart Growth Committee Community Survey**

# of Responses	% of Response	1. What do you like most about living in the Town of Clinton?
261	17%	Downtown shopping & dining and Main Street
226	15%	Small town friendliness and sense of community
139	9%	Its quaint, scenic charm and beauty
125	8%	Walkability
99	6%	Events and culture
80	5%	It is safe
66	4%	It is an historic town
63	4%	Location: Clinton is close to major highways, major cities, and work
62	4%	Wonderful people (friends & neighbors)
52	3%	N/A
42	3%	Small town size - everything is close
41	3%	Bridge/mill/museum
38	2%	Services: municipal, fire, police
38	2%	Good school system
35	2%	The river/falls
34	2%	Quiet, peaceful, relaxed atmosphere
28	2%	Clinton is clean
21	1%	The library, community center and parks
14	1%	Great to raise a family/grow up/family friendly
13	1%	Rural setting & feel
9	1%	Nature trails & parks
8	1%	Open space
6	0%	Bus service and public transportation access
5	0%	Opportunity for healthy living and accessibility to nature
5	0%	Low traffic volume
5	0%	Friendly business owners and the Guild
4	0%	The neighborhood
4	0%	Nothing
2	0%	Sophisticated
2	0%	Good infrastructure
2	0%	Traditional, conservative ideals
2	0%	Management of town growth
1	0%	Green space
1	0%	Paved roads
1	0%	The diversity of population/income
1534	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	2. What do you like least about the Town of Clinton?
122	15%	Lack of Parking
97	12%	Taxes
91	11%	Stores closing/choices and quality of retail establishments/friendliness of stores/hours
72	9%	Traffic/congestion/crowded
41	5%	Better/More restaurants
39	5%	Other
31	4%	Old 22 looks awful, abandoned houses and retail
30	4%	Unfriendliness of police/too many police
30	4%	Nothing wrong with Clinton!
26	3%	Nothing for teens/kids to do or places for them to shop or work
25	3%	Rt. 173 should be more bike/pedestrian friendly
24	3%	Attitudes of officials - business climate, better communication

823	100%	
1	0%	Accept electronic payments for bills
1	0%	Needs a town pool
1	0%	Lack of community volunteerism
2	0%	Don't want low cost housing
2	0%	Public school standardized test scores
2	0%	Lack of senior housing
2	0%	Flooding
3	0%	No dog park
3	0%	No public restrooms
3	0%	Roads need repair
3	0%	Foul smell around town
3	0%	More art and music
3	0%	Too Crowded
4	0%	Distance of school from community
4	0%	Too small
4	0%	No movie theater
7	1%	Lack of diversity
9	1%	Need Health food stores/better grocery stores
11	1%	Need a pub
13	2%	Not as clean as it used to be
14	2%	Drugs/Safety
15	2%	Enforce speed limits
15	2%	More to do at night
23	3%	Noise from Route 78
23	3%	Nothing to do
24	3%	No train service to NY/small size of park and ride



# of Responses	% of Response	3. Evaluate the following statements.
74	26%	N/A - nonsensical answer or comment reiterates what is already indicated in the ranking
48	17%	Shared services would be good if they drive down costs/taxes
26	9%	Shared services should be explored further for pros and cons and discussions with bordering towns should be entertained
15	5%	Shared services not important if it means reduced response times or patrols, cost savings not worth reduced response times
15	5%	Shared services should be explored if level of service is sustained
14	5%	Don't understand shared services issues enough to make a judgement
9	3%	Police prescence in town is important and might be negatively effected by shared services scenario
9	3%	Independent business community is defining characteristic of our town and needs assistance/support when in decline
6	2%	Consolidate school districts to lower expenses

6	2%	Clinton is so small it doesn't need its own police force
5	2%	Commuter access is important if there is enough parking
5	2%	Neighboring agencies respond to events anyway so we kind of already share services & shoud make it official
5	2%	Current police force seems excessive and cost prohibitive
4	1%	Commuter access is important for economic strength of the town, public transportation in general is important to areas where people are actually working (not necessarily NYC)
4	1%	More parking would help business community, town thrive
3	1%	Shared services are good as long as we don't lose the commitment and pride of our volunteer firefighters
3	1%	Library is important for youth programming and family friendly atmosphere
3	1%	Shared police services make sense, fire and rescue seem critical should not be shared
3	1%	It is beneficial to have a small police force/rescue/fire services that knows its citizens
3	1%	Shared services may not save money in the long run (seems good short term but becomes cost prohibitive as a big organization)
3	1%	Library is important for youth programming and family friendly atmosphere
3	1%	Community center is important but needs renovating badly
2	1%	Parks are under resourced
2	1%	Downtown is important - look into fed assistance for local businesses orapply to be urban enterprise zone with reduced sales taxes
2	1%	Arts and culture should be more supported by local gov't
•	40/	Volunteer fire/rescue is an outdated model and equipment duplications in the area are expensive, a north
2	1%	county fire and rescue department makes sense
2	1%	There should be more visible art in town - sculptures, murals etc.
2	1%	No shared services - since we are so small we would have little say in how they are run/managed
1	0%	Need independent police that focuses on pedestrian safety
1	0%	A movie theatre would be good
1	0%	Parks should be well maintained but not necessarily modern
1	0%	Public access to river/riverwalks/trails should be increased
1	0%	Commuter access is important to increase/retain housing values
1	0%	Commuter access important - consider an NJIT funded shuttle bus that loops through town in am and pm
1	0%	dropping ppl at trains/buses  Need more businesses to help parlay tax burden
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1	0%	Dog park should be considered  Parking is a problem for the business - meters should be installed to create revenue & lessen need for police to
1	0%	monitor parking times
0	0%	Need more business/restaurant options downtown
287	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	4. What are your suggestions as to development of the former Agway property on West  Main Street?
169	26%	Retail
137	21%	Public use
63	10%	Restaurant
60	9%	Parking
53	8%	Office
35	5%	Brewery
32	5%	Agway
28	4%	Movie
27	4%	Upscale food store
24	4%	Residential use, including senior housing, assisted living, apartments, and condos
13	2%	Condo
641	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	5. What do you feel should be done with the property across from the Fine Diner (next to Krauszer's), formerly known as the Wargo Tract?
232	41%	Parking
167	30%	Public use
64	11%	Retail
39	7%	Restaurant
33	6%	Office
11	2%	Residential
10	2%	Upscale food store
8	1%	Movie

1	0%	Brewery
0	0%	Condo
0	0%	Agway
565	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	6. Should municipal funds be spent to help beautify Main Street in the Town of Clinton during major holidays and events? Or should those expenses be left to the Clinton Guild, merchants, and private contributors?
202	34%	Both Municipal and Private Funds
166	28%	No Municipal Funds Should be Spent
161	27%	Municipal funds should be spent
65		N/A
594	89%	

# of Responses	% of Response	7. Would you be willing to volunteer time on a regular basis as a member of a charitably funded group to be known as the Town of Clinton Conservancy to save municipal expenses in beautifying the Town of Clinton?
204	38%	No
174	32%	Yes
55	10%	Maybe
23	4%	Need more information/Group Charter
22	4%	No, not enough time
18	3%	Yes, periodically but not regularly
17	3%	No, I already volunteer
12	2%	Yes, if it could involve children, scouts, churches, community service hours
5	1%	No, the town should do it
5	1%	No, too old
5	1%	No but I would contribute funds or buy fundraising raffle tickets
540	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	8. Should more bike racks be placed on Main St. and other areas of the Town of Clinton? If yes, where?
206	37%	Yes
141	25%	No
66	12%	NA
59	10%	Mills
49	9%	Parking lots/alleys/Parks
11	2%	Yes, but not downtown
11	2%	Trail/Fox Lumber
7	1%	Art Museum area
6	1%	Wargo
3	1%	Community Center
1	0%	Leigh Street/Halstead Street
1	0%	East Main
1	0%	JJ Scoops
562	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	9. Would you support creating an historic walking tour podcast in the Town of Clinton, managed by the Red Mill? Would you participate in a walking tour?
308	53%	Yes
157	27%	No
38	7%	I'd support it but wouldn't take the tour
34	6%	Maybe
20	3%	Yes, if it doesn't cost taxpayer money
9	2%	Yes, if it doesn't cost a lot of money
4	1%	Yes, make podcasts for each holiday/cultural events (ghost tour, Victorian Days, architectural)
3	1%	I am indifferent / No opinion
3	1%	Yes, if motorized/ assist with walking
2	0%	I can't support it but would take the tour

578	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	10. Should each historic home in Clinton have an optional, consistent plaque affixed with its historic facts?
486	71%	Yes
109	16%	No
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595	87%	

# of Responses	% of Response	11. What activities for children and teens do you like in the Town of Clinton?
95	12%	Christmas Parade & Activities
79	10%	Local Businesses / Main St activities
74	9%	Art Museum & Events / Arts
56	7%	None / Not enough
53	7%	Not aware / don't know
50	6%	Library & Activities
49	6%	Community Center & playground
47	6%	CCYA/ Sports/ Tennis Program / Sports fields
40	5%	Parks / Trails
36	4%	Halloween Parade & Activities
33	4%	Haunted Mill
26	3%	Red Mill & Events
23	3%	Summer rec
22	3%	Town Picnic / Community Day
21	3%	Music / Black Potatoe
19	2%	Rubber Duck
18	2%	Everything
13	2%	Dickens Days
11	1%	Canoe Races
11	1%	Sprintin Clinton / Running / Exercise
9	1%	Bonfire
9	1%	Flag Day Parade & Activites
6	1%	CPS Activities / Scouting
8	1%	Fishing Derby / Fishing
2	0%	Fire Dept Grill Night
2	0%	St. Pat's Parade
1	0%	Farmer's Market
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813	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	12. What activities for children and teens do you suggest that the town add?
10	2%	Outdoor summer basketball league/bigger park for basketball/challenges
36	9%	Movie nights, hang outs, dances (monthly, marathon, street), social events, game night, Rube Goldberg,
30	970	contests, ice cream social, pool/ping pong, holiday party, concerts, minecraft
33	8%	Outdoor - running club, bicycling, racing, canoeing, rowing club, work with Hunterdon Park Systems and YMCA,
33	070	bike tour through Hunterdon, rollerblade path at Agway, fishing tournament, archery
32	8%	Movie theatre or drive in (small)
27	7%	More community center functions (indoor and out), update, open gym nights
23	6%	Sports center, go-karts, mini golf, batting cages, lacrosse, paintball, nerf, bounce
23	6%	Places to "hang out" indoors, more tables outdoors
22	5%	Drop in art night at museum, other art, photography
18	4%	Music, poetry, dramatic readings, concert hall, decorate sidewalks, plays, open mike, talent shows
17	4%	Other
14	3%	Trendier shops, more kid friendly like Just Chill or Citispot, game store, foodie event highlighting eating in town,
14	370	businesses interact with students
14	3%	Bowling alley
13	3%	Skate park
12	3%	Community pool, sprinkler park
12	3%	Volunteer opportunities, rescue squad, churches, police, organize community events, fire, animal control
10	2%	Baseball/softball, flag football, maintain quality fields, intramural, kickball
9	2%	Outdoor movies at the Mill, other Mill, historic activities
9	2%	Update playground, lights, also add to DeMott, Hunts Mill
7	2%	Arcade

6	1%	Volleyball
5	1%	Ice rink (inflatable?)
5	1%	Soccer
5	1%	Exercise classes, zumba, yoga, martial arts, dance
5	1%	Work opportunities
4	1%	Active committee of school, town, and churches
4	1%	Transportation to events (zoos, ballparks, concerts, mall)
3	1%	Skating rink
3	1%	More info from town on opportunities
3	1%	Street hockey (maybe next to library?)
3	1%	Classes from local business (learn about cheese, cooking)
3	1%	Scavenger hunts, Easter egg hunts
3	1%	Free playgroup for preschoolers and parents
3	1%	More school centered and located activities
3	1%	Comics
2	0%	Tennis club
2	0%	Environmentally friendly activies - clean up, recycing, rescuing animals, planting flowers
2	0%	Book club, published reviews
405	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	13. What activities for senior citizens do you like in the Town of Clinton?
134	40%	No idea - I didn't know there were any
120	36%	N/A responses
14	4%	Events downtown and at museums
14	4%	May luncheon
12	4%	Library events
7	2%	Walking downtown and shopping
6	2%	Community center events
6	2%	None of them
4	1%	Walking in park
3	1%	Trips
3	1%	No need for them - already busy enough
3	1%	Sitting on benches downtown/by the bridge
1	0%	Not government responsibility
1	0%	Music
1	0%	Bring back printed newsletter to keep seniors in loop
1	0%	Woman's club
1	0%	County activities are good
1	0%	Meetups
1	0%	Classes at community center
1	0%	Quiltfest
1	0%	No need for special "senior" events - regular all ages events are fine
0	0%	Restaurants to visit/walk to
335	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	14. What activities for senior citizens do you suggest that the town add?
18	11%	More trips
15	9%	Bingo nights
15	9%	Adult community school - computer lessons, lunch & lectures
13	8%	Senior exercise classes
12	8%	Game day/club at community center - bridge, mahjong, chess, canasta
12	8%	Dances/music nights
10	6%	Social events - picnics, karaoke, quilting, crafting, art
9	6%	Walking club/walking tours
5	3%	Volunteer opportunities
5	3%	Senior activity center
5	3%	Better public transportation for seniors to ger around town
5	3%	Combine activities with children activities
4	3%	Senior discount days/meetups at museums
4	3%	Meet & mingle events in park/library/at museum
3	2%	Book club
3	2%	More benches/tables in public areas w/ chess&checker boards
2	1%	Old movie screenings
2	1%	Seniors luncheons
2	1%	Tai chi outside at the museum

2	1%	Geneology classes
2	1%	Gardening club
2	1%	Shuffleboard court & tournaments
2	1%	Art/sewing/crafting classes
1	1%	Birding activity
1	1%	Speaker on topics of interest to seniors
1	1%	Community pool
1	1%	Outdoor activities - hike/canoe
1	1%	Hire a senior events coordinator
1	1%	More parks
1	1%	Senior daycare center
1	1%	Housing integration
160	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	15. What other businesses, entertainment, or activities would you like to see in the town or
# Of Responses	70 Of Response	surrounding areas besides those above?
80	14%	Movie theater
79	14%	More restaurants / restaurant diversity
58	10%	Bar / Bew pub / Karaoke / Wine bar
53	10%	Other
45	8%	Don't know / Fine the way it is
31	6%	Whole Foods/ Trader Joe's/ Health Food / Smoothie King / Small Grocery Store / Amish Market
29	5%	Music Nights / Concerts on and off street / music venue or club
20	4%	Play House/ Community theatre
15	3%	Something for teens
13	2%	Bowling
11	2%	Hardware store
11	2%	Clothing shops / Shoe Stores
10	2%	Fast Food- Chik Fil A, Burger King
10	2%	Arts Art Festival
9	2%	Street fairs / festivals
9	2%	Crafts store
9	2%	Variety of shopping
7	1%	Bakery
6	1%	General stores / 5 & 10 / Dollar store / candy store
5	1%	Swimming pool
5	1%	Starbucks / more coffee shops
5	1%	Walking tours
5	1%	Improved walkways and paths
4	1%	Hamburger
4	1%	Canoes/ Kayaks/ Water sports
4	1%	Farmer's Market / Farm to Table restaurant
4	1%	Antiques
4	1%	Game Stop / Radio Shack
3	1%	Dog Park
2	0%	Good deli / butcher
2	0%	Mini Golf / Driving Range
2	0%	Toy Store
1	0%	Sporting Goods
1	0%	Bus trips for seniors / Bus trips for everyone
1	0%	Hotel on Rt 31
557	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	16. What steps do you think could be taken to improve the utilization of the municipal parking lots? In particular, consider the lot behind the municipal building?
91	25%	Signage
77	21%	Can't see it
48	13%	Awareness of Mun.Bldg lot
45	12%	Other
41	11%	Access/crossing
33	9%	More lots/garage/Agway/mills
9	2%	Bridge
9	2%	Assign spots to merchants/free space in town
7	2%	Meters on Main Street

6	2%	Shuttle
4	1%	Incent
1	0%	Make it a double decker
371	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	17. What use would you like to see for the large industrial tract located east of Walmart, accessed by the service road to the sewer plant, assuming all planning issues could be resolved appropriately?
97		Public use
37	10%	Agricultural
33	8%	Sports facitity/activity
28	7%	Retail
28	7%	Movie
25	6%	Big Box Store
24	6%	Homes
22	6%	Industrial
18	5%	Upscale food store
16	4%	Restaurant
15	4%	Clean/light manufacturing
13	3%	Commercial Park
11	3%	Parking
7	2%	Office
7		Shopping Center
4		Department store
3		Storage, warehouse
1		Brewery
0	0%	Condo
0	0%	Agway
389	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	18. What would improve the quality of life in the Town of Clinton?
36	10%	Lower taxes
35	9%	Lessen congestion/traffic issues
29	8%	More parking
25	7%	More business/restaurant variety
22	6%	More activities - art/parades/fairs/concerts/movies
18	5%	More & safer crosswalks/bike routes
17	5%	Reduce the noise from 78 w/ sound walls & brake regulations
11	3%	Improve sidewalks & ability to walk downtonw from outer areas & along old 22
9	2%	More activities for teens
9	2%	Police officers could be nicer to residents
8	2%	More support to lessen business turnover & attract better businesses
7	2%	Improve appearance on old 22 (facelift of bldgs)
7	2%	Another bar/pub alternative
6	2%	Clean up dilapidated/empty homes in town
6	2%	Liven/freshen up the town - its too boring & stuffy
6	2%	More cooperation among business owners/governemnt/citizens
5	1%	Main street should stay open longer
5	1%	Local paper or website of town happenings/ better event communication
4	1%	Integrate outer areas of town with main street
4	1%	More frequent leaf & garbage pickup/better snow removal
4	1%	Add a movie theatre
4	1%	More trees and parks
4	1%	Connect communities, neighborhoods & age groups
4	1%	Better social scene/place for young adults (21-35) to hang
4	1%	Better traffic/speeding enforcement
3	1%	Chairs and tables outside museums
3	1%	More nature/outdoor activities
3	1%	Dog park
3	1%	Balance development with open space - keep it green
3	1%	Improve public transportation (bus or train)
3	1%	Continue to ask for and recive feedback
3	1%	More historic regulation
2	1%	Focus on high quality small town development & not stop business dev that helps town
2	1%	Attract more tourism
2	1%	Better street lighting

2	1%	Improve/better support for the school
2	1%	
2	1%	More ordinances to keep properties neat & clean  Bathroom facilites downtown
2	1%	Close main street to traffic esp during special events
2	1%	Improve/increase park & ride lot
		Shuttle service in am/pm to train & bus
2	1% 1%	
2		Bury overhead wires
	1%	More inclusion, diverstiy and tolerance - less conservative views in gov't
2	1%	Walking police prescence downtown vs only in patrol car
2	1%	Better signage for parking, motin sensitive lights in parking lots
2	1%	Less government
1	0%	Reduce school expenses to help taxes
1	0%	Create more senior activities (fee driven ok)
1	0%	Lower taxes with shared services
1	0%	More sports opportunities
1	0%	Better river access
1	0%	Control air polution
1	0%	More upscale housing for young professionals
1	0%	More public art
1	0%	Nicer business owners
1	0%	Skate park
1	0%	Bowling alley
1	0%	Access walkway from clinton knoolls to downtown
1	0%	Community pool
1	0%	More accessible and open town council
1	0%	Bike/walk route along river & connect to spruce run
1	0%	Clean up main street litter/weed tree boxes
1	0%	Nice gate-like sign or structures at entry points to town
1	0%	Stricter punishment for destructive teens
1	0%	Medium priced womens dress shop
1	0%	Large commercial business downtown
1	0%	Stop politicians from spending surplus to balance budget
1	0%	Good health club close by
1	0%	Remove water additive - water chems have changed are staining sinks
1	0%	Restriction on mowing before 8am
1	0%	Exxon should host community center/activities on property across from North
1	0%	Clean up the old A&P
1	0%	Encourage sustainable/clean energy initiatives
1	0%	Restore public services/make no further cuts
1	0%	Monthly mandatory of vehicle removal for streetsweeping every 2 week
1	0%	More local support for the Red Mill and the Art Museum
1	0%	Add benches/garbage cans to fox lumber trail and monitor/erase graffiti better
369	100%	
	100/0	

# of Responses	% of Response	19. Would you support changing the name of Route 173/Old 22/West Main (from the Rt. 78 overpass by Walmart to STS) to either Clinton Boulevard or Hunt's Mills Concourse?  Other?
288	45%	Yes
148	23%	No
94	15%	Clinton Blvd
32	5%	Neutral
28	4%	NA
14	2%	Dislikes options given
10	2%	Hunts Mill Concourse
10	2%	Wants to see road improved
7	1%	Hunts Mill Blvd/Ave/Rd/Drive
6	1%	Red Mill Rd/Ave/Blvd
6	1%	Name the whole road West Main
4	1%	Name the whole road Old Route 22
647	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	20. Do you have any suggestions for improving access from the Town of Clinton to the Hunterdon County Landsdown trail?
110	26%	No suggestions

88	21%	Wayfinding signage
46	11%	
33	8%	Respondent is unaware of trail's existence
30	7%	Better linkage wanted
25	6%	Improve parking
22	5%	Opposed to any improvements
13	3%	Improve safety of crosswalk near Clinton House
13		Amenities at trail head
9	2%	Ped/bike bridge over river linking to Hunts mill Park
7	2%	Sidewalk linkage along 173
7	2%	Pedestrian overpass
5	1%	Lighting at crosswalk
3	1%	Pedestrian light to cross Route 173 at Clinton house
3	1%	Police presence
2	0%	Bike parking
2	0%	Connect it to other trails
2	0%	Flashing light at crosswalk
0	0%	Benches
420	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	21. Are you satisfied with the walking access across Old 22 on Leigh Street? If not, do you have any suggestions for improving it?
186	36%	Yes I'm satisfied
163	32%	No I'm not satisfied
33	6%	N/A
23	4%	Add the fourth crosswalk
18	3%	Lower the wall/ wall is too high blocks sight
18	3%	Improve/add sidewalks
15	3%	Cars don't yield
15	3%	Build a pedestrian Overpass
8	2%	Prohibit right on red
7	1%	Waiting place is unsafe/ create bump outs
7	1%	Pedestrian accomodation needed opposite Clinton House
6	1%	Better enforcement
4	1%	Change to exclusive pedestrian phase (red in all directions for vehicles when pedestrian button is pressed
4	1%	Increase the time of the pedestrian phase
4	1%	Crossing guards
3	1%	Longer green arrow for vehicles
2	0%	Lower the speed limit
516	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	22. Do you think that Clinton has a parking problem? If so, what suggestions do you have to remedy it?
296	49%	Yes
104	17%	No
62	10%	Wargo/Agway
53	9%	Sometimes
22	4%	Unacceptable
11	2%	Parking deck
10	2%	Meters/Police/Tickets
10	2%	Merchants
10	2%	Angle
9	1%	Signs
6	1%	Permits/Private Property
5	1%	TransBridge
4	1%	Trolley
3	0%	Need better parking for residents of Main Street
2	0%	Hunterdon Art Museum
1	0%	Hire an outside consultant
608	100%	

519	100%	
161	31%	No
358	69%	Yes

# of Responses	% of Response	24. Do you attend the Fire Department Friday night Grill night?
403	77%	No
123	23%	Yes
526	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	25. When you describe the Town of Clinton, what do you tell people?
246	23%	Quaint/charming/scenic/beautiful
111	11%	Small town feel/community
100	10%	Downtown shopping & restaurants/main street
65	6%	Historic town & buildings
61	6%	Great place to live - I love it!
48	5%	Small town
43	4%	Red mill/museum/old bridge
42	4%	The people are friendly/great
35	3%	Walkable
25	2%	Events
25	2%	Midwest/old timey/old world feel
23	2%	Safe, well patroled
23	2%	N/A
21	2%	Family friendly
21	2%	Boring
17	2%	Quiet/peaceful
16	2%	River/falls/water access
15	1%	Great school
14	1%	Easy commute/access to highways/major cities
14	1%	Great place to visit
8	1%	Municipal services
8	1%	Too much traffic/congestion
8	1%	Expensive
7	1%	Need to control spending/taxes are too high
7	1%	Has gone downhill
6	1%	Clean
6	1%	Parking is a problem
6	1%	Old fashioned & stuffy
5	0%	Need better variety of restaurants/businesses
4	0%	Businesses are over priced
4	0%	Well maintained
3	0%	Police are too aggressive
2	0%	Dog friendly
2	0%	Not enough religious or racial diversity
2	0%	Run by Democrats and yuppies
1	0%	Quirky, backwards
1	0%	Business owners not friendly
1	0%	Clinton is special
1	0%	Wonderful place to live
1	0%	Limited shopping
1	0%	Needs a train stop
1	0%	Too many idle teens
1050	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	26. Is it important to you that Clinton have Historic District designation? why?	If so,
142	32%	Yes, to distinguish the historic identity, charm, pride, and culture of Clinton. History is important	
103	23%	No	
76	17%	Yes, to preserve the architecture, some control over future building and redesign	
47	11%	Yes	
35	8%	Yes, to make Clinton a tourist destination	
17	4%	No, it is costly with too much regulation	

12	3%	Yes, to retain property values in the town
7	2%	Yes, if there are grants, funding, or tax credits
439	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	27. What special events sponsored by the Clinton Guild and other groups do you enjoy
•	•	attending? What other events would you like to see?
147		Christmas Parade
78		Dickens Days
63		Music Fridays
42		Pumpkin Fest
30	5%	
30		Rubber Ducky
28		St. Patrick's Day Parade
22		N/A
19		Halloween Parade
18		Haunted Mill
18		Bonfire
17		Town Picnic Fireworks
15		Flag Day
13		Black Potato
11	2%	Pansy Festival
11		Ladies Nights and Special Sales
9		Art Museum - All
9	1%	Doing Clinton
8		Foot Races
8	1%	Car Shows
8		Tree/Menorah Lightings
5	1%	Music at Mill
4	1%	Taste of Clinton
4	1%	Trees at Red Mill Museum
3		Fishing Day
3	0%	Candlelight Nights
2	0%	Arch house tour
2		Burning Canoe Race
2	0%	Rescue Squad Chili Cook-Off
2		Ladies Nights and Lamborginies
2		Street Fairs
1	0%	Farmers' Market
1		Senior Luncheon
1	0%	Townwide Garage Sale
1		Book Signings
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637	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	28. Where do you think municipal funds would be best spent in the Town of Clinton?
52	11%	Parking (Town and NYC commuting) more parking, existing lot improvement
48	10%	Parks and sports, community center, skatepark, pool, activities, dog park, clean trails, children
47	10%	Beautification - planters, tree surrounds, pavers, nice street lights, keeping town clean, more trees, community gardens, painting
43	9%	Economic development, public/private partnerships, marketing, support downtown, tourism
40	9%	Roads (fix roads, snow, leaves, maintain Main St), DPW
33	7%	Public safety, police
25	5%	Other
24	5%	Improve West Main, lanterns/lighting, sidewalks, reflective markers in crosswalk, Wargo Tract, abandoned buildings, Agway, A&P
20	4%	Infrastructure
19	4%	Improve pedestrian and cyclyst safety
18	4%	Keep taxes low
13	3%	Municipal funds are being spent appropriately
10	2%	Open space
10	2%	Fire and Rescue
9	2%	Better traffic control
9	2%	Historic landmarks, Fix up historic district
9	2%	Fixing sidewalks

7	2%	Trash and recycling in town	
7	2%	Signage	
5	1%	Schools	
3	1%	Decorate for holidays	
3	1%	Communications and wifi connectivity	
2	0%	Places to sit (Art Museum, along river, Halstead Bridge, and DeMott Pond)	
2	0%	Public restrooms	
1	0%	Transportation	
1	0%	Cultural activities	
1	0%	Encourage smart growth	
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461	100%		•

# of Responses	% of Response	29. Where do you think municipal funds should NOT be spent in the Town of Clinton?
19	11%	Other - non-essential, non-critical uses
18	10%	Police equipment, cars
16	9%	Businesses
15	9%	Separate fire, police, rescue,
13	8%	Fire trucks, fire equipment
11	6%	Social events, sports
11	6%	Itemize and communicate expenses
9	5%	On government, municipal employee positions
6	3%	EMS equipment
5	3%	Events like Black Potatoe
5	3%	Decorations
4	2%	Consolidate schools, no more money to schools
4	2%	Town is properly managing funds
4	2%	Beautifying the town
3	2%	Parking
3	2%	Signs
3	2%	Pensions, benefits
2	1%	Lower salaries
2	1%	Personal or business bailouts
2	1%	Arts and culture
2	1%	Maintenance of private property
2	1%	Building multi-family housing
2	1%	Building construction
2	1%	Bike trails, fitness trail
1	1%	Administration building
1	1%	Parades and Music
1	1%	Dog parks
1	1%	Dike by art museum
1	1%	Skate park
1	1%	Street sweeping, leaves, sticks
1	1%	Community center
1	1%	Garbage collection
1	1%	Legal fees, expensive consultants
172	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	30. Do you have any suggestions to improve our Parks and Playgrounds?
115	40%	No/They're Good
82	28%	Maintenance/Updates
34	12%	Other
15	5%	More Fields/Courts/Trails
9	3%	Skate Park/Older Kid Options
8	3%	Volunteers
6	2%	More Swings
5	2%	Dog Park
5	2%	Pool
5	2%	Bathrooms
3	1%	Seating/Shelter
3	1%	Lighting
290	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	31. Do you feel that the Town adequately communicates news and events to you?
243	57%	Yes
75	18%	No
18	4%	More Email, website, phone alerts
17	4%	It's ok / Sometimes
14	3%	Love Newsletter / miss quarterly mailing
10	2%	Need better website/use the website
10	2%	Facebook / Twitter
8	2%	Democrat, Observer
6	1%	Get more info out to surrounding areas
4	1%	Improve look of newsletter / All electronic
4	1%	Other comment Other comment
3	1%	Good info on road issues, not on events
3	1%	Posters in town
2	0%	More signs at ramp exits and by Shell
2	0%	Banner on Main Street
1	0%	Like the Guild Card of upcoming events
1	0%	Like phone communication/warnings
1	0%	More info on volunteer activities, donations needed
1	0%	NJ.com
1	0%	More communication for people new to town
1	0%	More through schools
1	0%	Want a billboard
426	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	32. What is your preferred method(s) of communication? Select all that apply.
329	66%	Email
288	58%	Website
270	54%	Newsletter
184	37%	Facebook
30	6%	Twitter
16	27%	Democrat/Observer
10	17%	Letters/ Mail
6	10%	Banner
4	7%	Phone
3	5%	Text
3	5%	Firehouse billboard/ other municipal billboard
3	5%	Instagram
3	5%	Word of mouth
3	5%	Poster
2	3%	Enewsletter on website or email
1	2%	Newspapers
1	2%	New resident welcome package
1	2%	High school/ CPS
1	2%	Update website
1	2%	Community calendar with info in one place
1	2%	Facebook not informative enough
43	73%	

# of Responses	% of Response	33. Do you feel that the Town of Clinton municipal taxes are too high? If so, what municipal services would you consider cutting? (Note that only 20% of your real estate tax bill goes to the Town.)
102	27%	Yes (response only, don't know what to give up or don't want to give anything up)
87	23%	No
41	11%	Don't Know
33	9%	Yes - Share Services with other towns to reduce costs
31	8%	Yes - School
29	8%	Do not live in town
26	7%	Yes - Emergency Services / Police, Fire, etc.
21	6%	Other

4	1%	Yes - Garbage
2	1%	Yes - County/State Taxes
376	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	34. Would you be willing to support periodic contributions to purchase fire trucks and ambulances to avoid having to bond for these costs in the future?
208	52%	Yes
192	48%	No
400	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	35. Would you be willing to pay \$200 to donate a tree to the Town of Clinton?
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231	54%	No
74	17%	Yes
54	54%	Would donate less than \$200
12	12%	Need to know context and need for trees
8	8%	Where would it be planted?
8	8%	Maybe
5	5%	Donate a tree myself
4	4%	With small family name plaque
4	4%	Fundraise some other way, boy/girl scouts, ask nursery to donate
2	2%	Better maintain existing trees
1	1%	Would donate a bench or fire pit
1	1%	Have schools raise money for trees
1	1%	Start a tree farm to grow for the town
46	46%	

# of Responses	% of Response	36. Do you have any other comments, questions, or concerns?
54	28%	No/Do not want to share
31	16%	Other - see comments in survey detail
22	11%	Survey related - Good or Bad
20	10%	Statements - no action required/requested/possible
16	8%	l love Clinton or I love Clinton but
11	6%	Municipal Services
10	5%	Police/Emergency Service Related
9	5%	Related to the businesses in town
7	4%	Taxes
6	3%	Parking
5	3%	Trees - for or against
3	2%	Dog Park/Skate Park
194	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	37. Do you have any special talents that you could volunteer that would be beneficial to the Town to make it a better place to live? Please list and provide your contact information below
11	24%	Always willing to assist with needs - Advertise!
4	9%	Marketing
4	9%	Event Management
3	7%	Art
3	7%	Music
2	4%	Project Management
2	4%	Web
2	4%	Environmental
2	4%	Hispanic
1	2%	Business Development
1	2%	GLBT
1	2%	Police/Fire/Rescue
1	2%	Architect, help cities envision futures
1	2%	Walking tour guide

1	2%	Neighborhood watch
1	2%	Fund Raising
1	2%	Paperwork/Phones
1	2%	Documentary Writing
1	2%	Post needs at high school and CPS
1	2%	Driving prople
1	2%	Insurance
45	100%	

# of Responses	38. Contact information (optional)
116	Name
102	Email Address
99	Address
98	City/Town
93	ZIP/Postal Code
75	Phone Number
583	

# of Responses	% of Response	39. What is your age?
205	42%	45 to 54
89	18%	35 to 44
64	13%	55 to 64
51	10%	18 to 24
39	8%	65 to 74
23	5%	25 to 34
18	4%	75 or older
489	100%	

# of Responses	% of Response	40. How many years have you resided in Clinton?
141	32%	11-20 years
79	18%	6-10 years
59	13%	1-5 years
55	12%	21-30 years
55	12%	Not a resident
52	12%	31+ years
441	100%	