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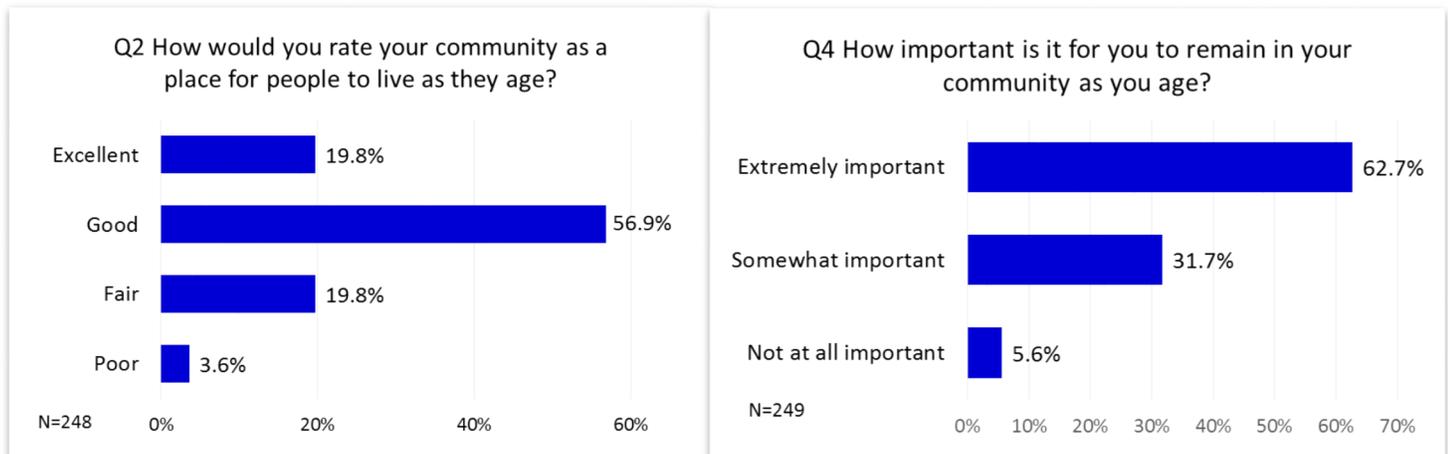
SURVEY AND FOCUS GROUP RESULTS



HEALTH AND WELLNESS COMMITTEE DEBRIEFING

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Hallowell As A Place To Age



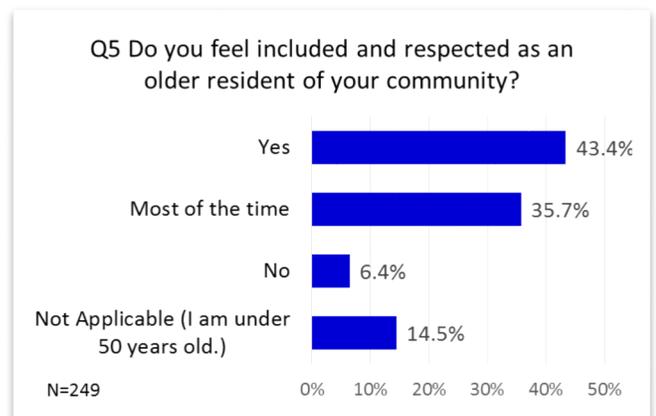
More than seven out of ten Hallowell residents rated Hallowell as an excellent or good place to live as they age (76.7%). More than six in ten Hallowell residents said it was extremely important for them to remain in the community as they age (62.7%). More than nine out of ten residents said it was at least somewhat important (94.4%).

Inclusion and Respect

More than four out of ten Hallowell residents said that they feel included and respected as an older resident in their community (43.4%). Nearly eight in ten Hallowell residents said they at least feel included and respected in the community as an older resident most of the time (79.1%).

“Community is not just seniors getting together, it’s not just middle age people getting together, it’s not just little kids in school together, it’s the whole shooting match.”

- Focus Group Participant



Sample of 254 Hallowell Residents, including paper and Internet surveys.



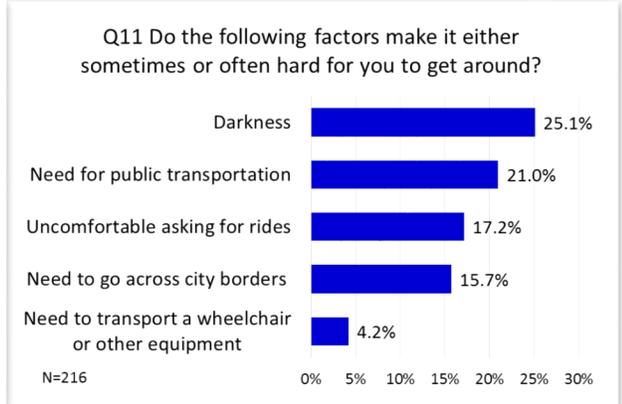
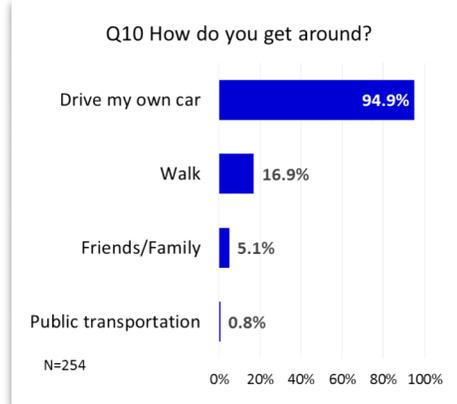
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SURVEY AND FOCUS GROUP RESULTS CONTINUED



Transportation

More than nine out of ten Hallowell residents drive their own car to get around (94.9%). Less than one in ten said that they use public transportation; over two in ten said that the need for public transportation is a factor that makes it sometimes or often hard for them to get around. One in four said that darkness was also a factor that makes it hard to get around (25.1%).



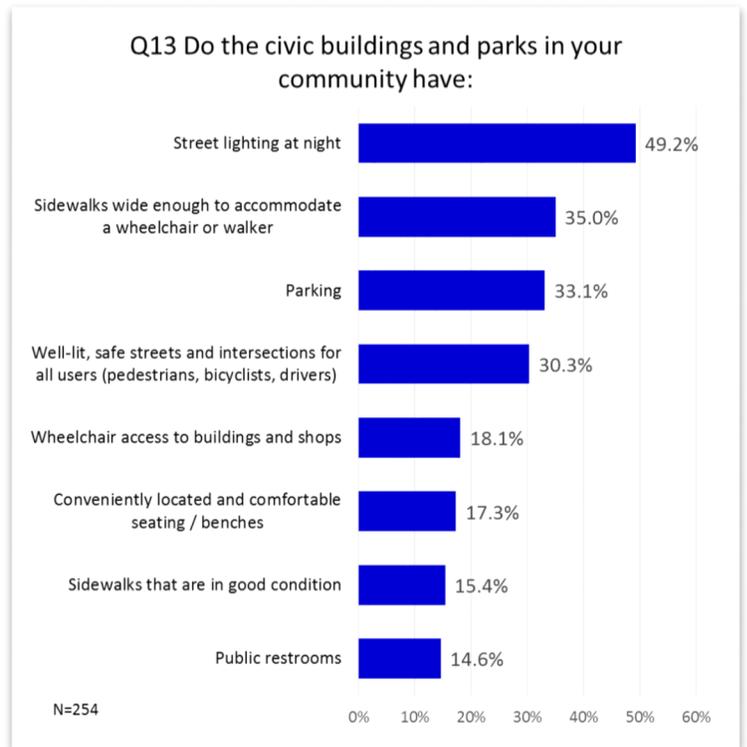
Civic Buildings/Parks

About half of Hallowell residents said that civic buildings and parks in the community have street lighting at night (49.2%). Three out of ten said that the civic buildings and parks in the community have sidewalks wide enough to accommodate a wheelchair or walker (35%), and less than one in six said that the sidewalks are in good condition (15.4%).

Less than one in five said that civic buildings and parks in the community have wheelchair access to buildings and shops (18.1%) and conveniently located and comfortable seating/benches (17.3%). Less than one in six said that civic buildings and parks have public restrooms (14.6%).

“There are a few too many ancient houses. Mine is very inefficient and it costs way too much money to fix it up. So I need choices.”

- Focus Group Participant



Housing

Seventy-five percent (75%) of Hallowell residents said they want to live in their current home. Seven out of ten Hallowell residents are satisfied that housing for seniors is close to amenities (71.6%). Six out of ten Hallowell residents are satisfied that housing for seniors is accessible to both elders and people with disabilities (60.6%) and available (60.2%). A little less than half of Hallowell residents are satisfied that housing for seniors is affordable (49%) and close to transportation (47.7%).

