

Quality of Life Survey 2018 Results

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Survey Methods







2,000 RESIDENTS C



(26%)

ADDITIONAL 1,500 OPT-IN





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- -Park maintenance
- -Senior programs and services
- -Street lighting
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- -Building inspections
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• <u>Neighborhood</u> as a place to live

• Place to <u>live</u> 🖈

excellent or good

Positive features



Overall <u>image</u> 94% ×



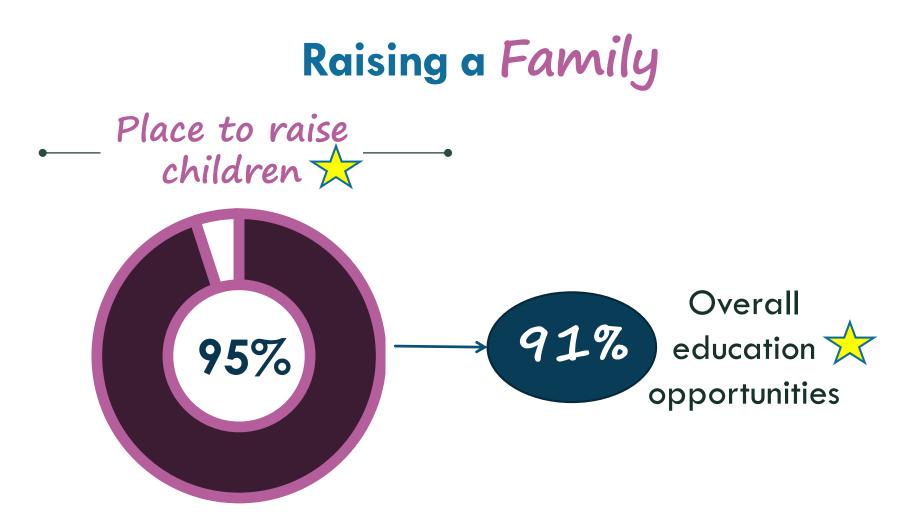
Place to <u>retire</u> 69%



Sense of <u>community</u> 68%

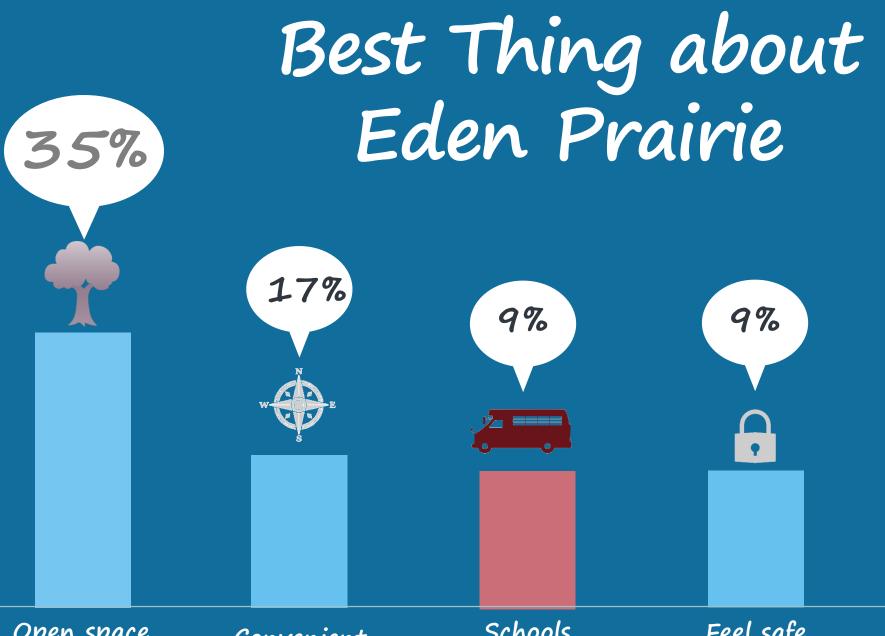
 \bigstar Higher than benchmarks

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Open space, parks and trails

Convenient Location

Schools

Feel safe

High ratings for safety services contribute to the quality of life but residents have concerns about youth crime and drugs



Fire services EMS response Fire response Police services Crime prevention



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Emergency preparedness ★



94% Overall feeling of safety

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Higher than benchmarks



very or somewhat safe

Neighborhood A

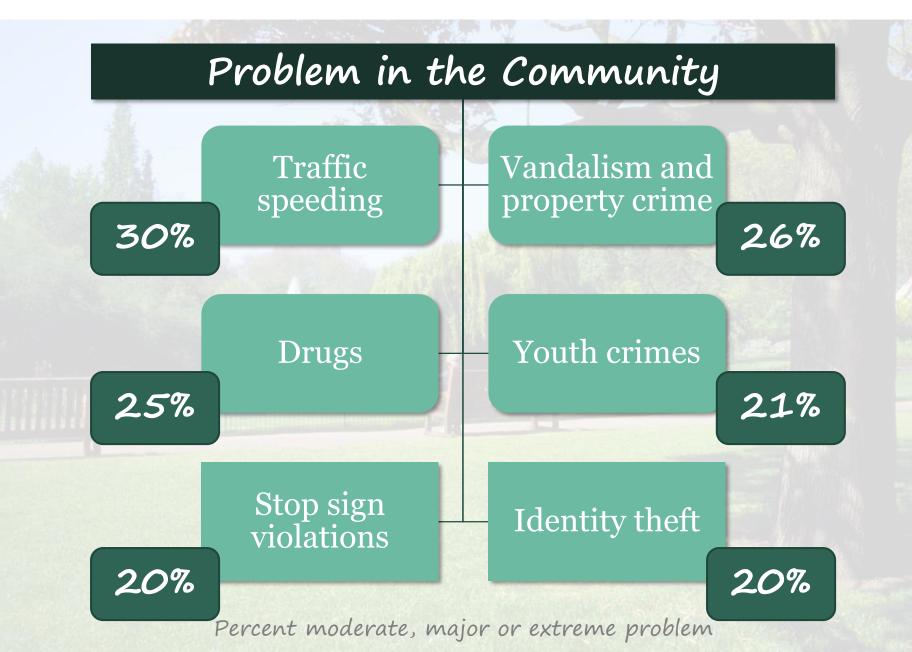
- Eden Prairie Center mall
- Parks and open space
- Retail parking lots

Paths and walking trails

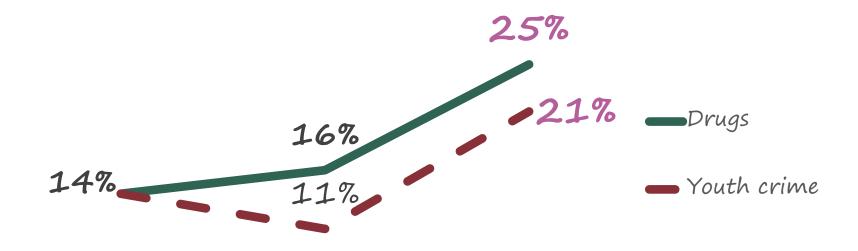


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Perceptions of Problems



Potential Problems



2014 2016 2018

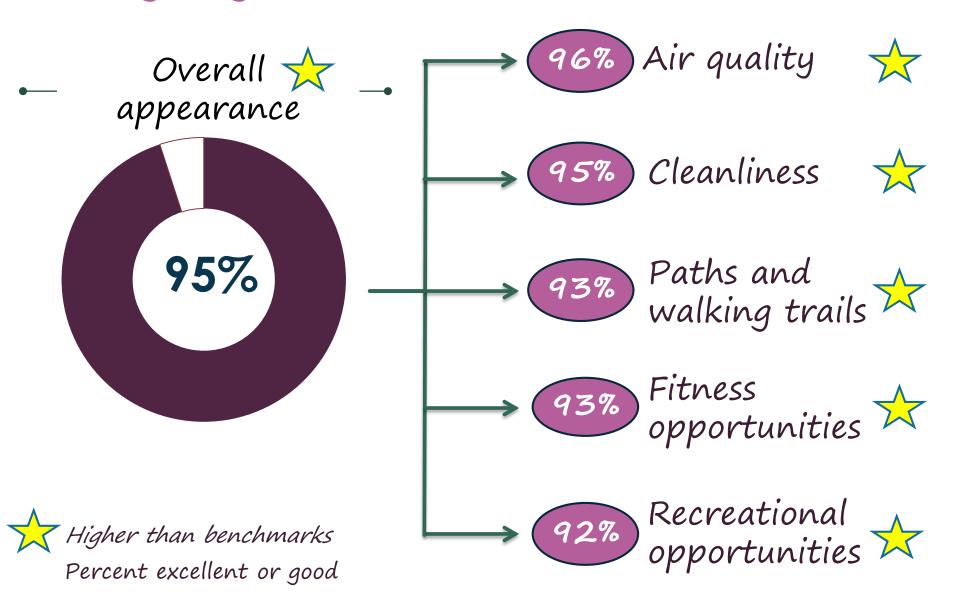
Percent moderate, major or extreme problem

Community parks, recreation and natural environment are *highlights*



Higher than benchmarks

A highlight in Eden Prairie



Familiarity with Events

Staring Lake Concert Series 4th of July celebration

Movies in the Park Arts in the Park Community theater productions Night to Unite 8 in 10

7 in 10

Fall Harvest Celebration City-wide Open House

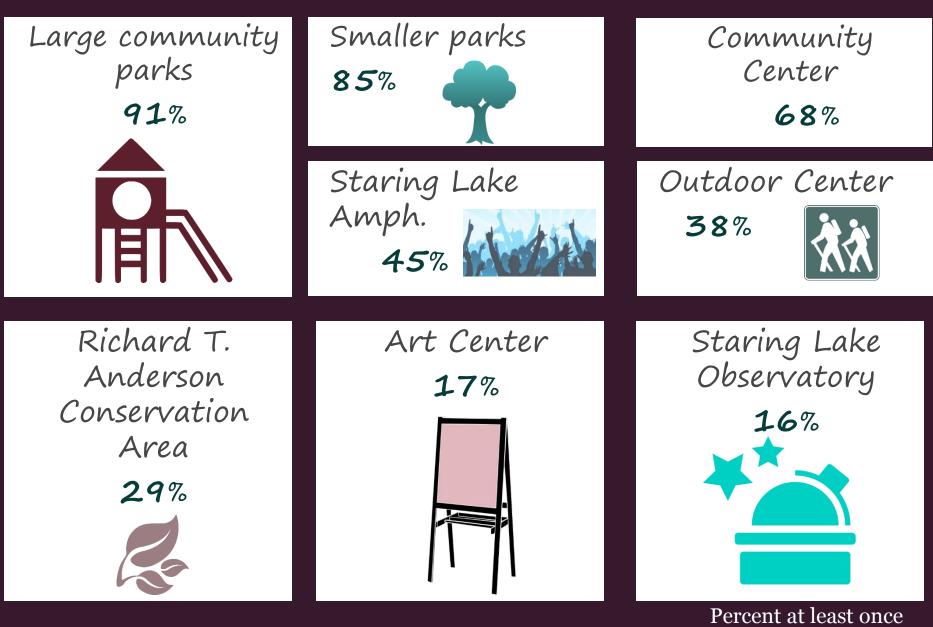
5 in 10

4 in 10

PeopleFest!

Participate in and/or were familiar

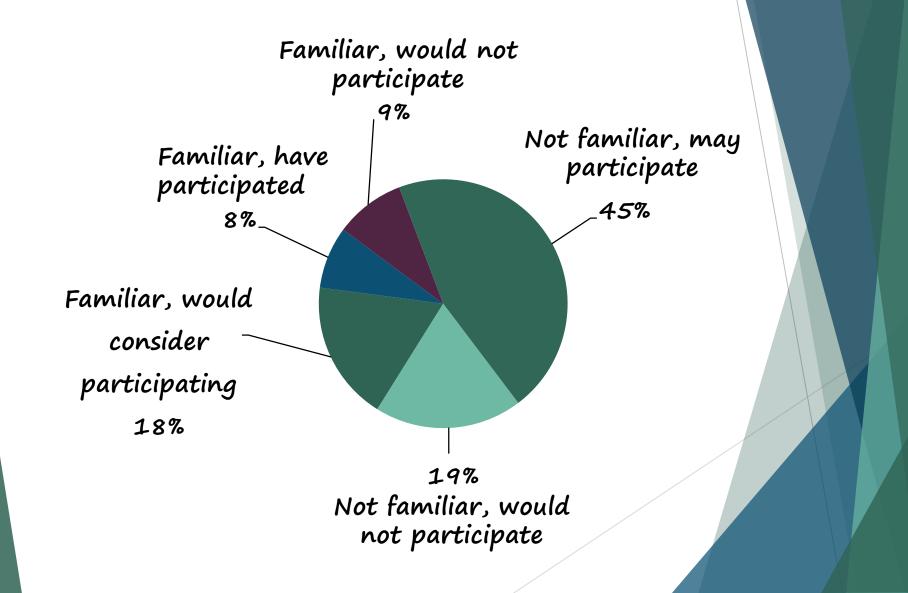
Use of Amenities



ALL AMENITIES excellent or good

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Sustainable Eden Prairie Program







Solid waste reduction Energy reduction Water conservation

very or somewhat likely



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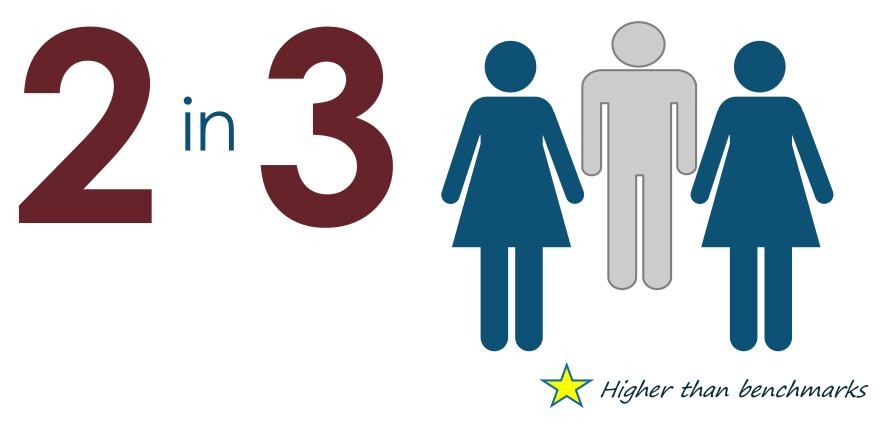
94% **Residents think** overall quality of services was excellent or good

Higher than benchmarks

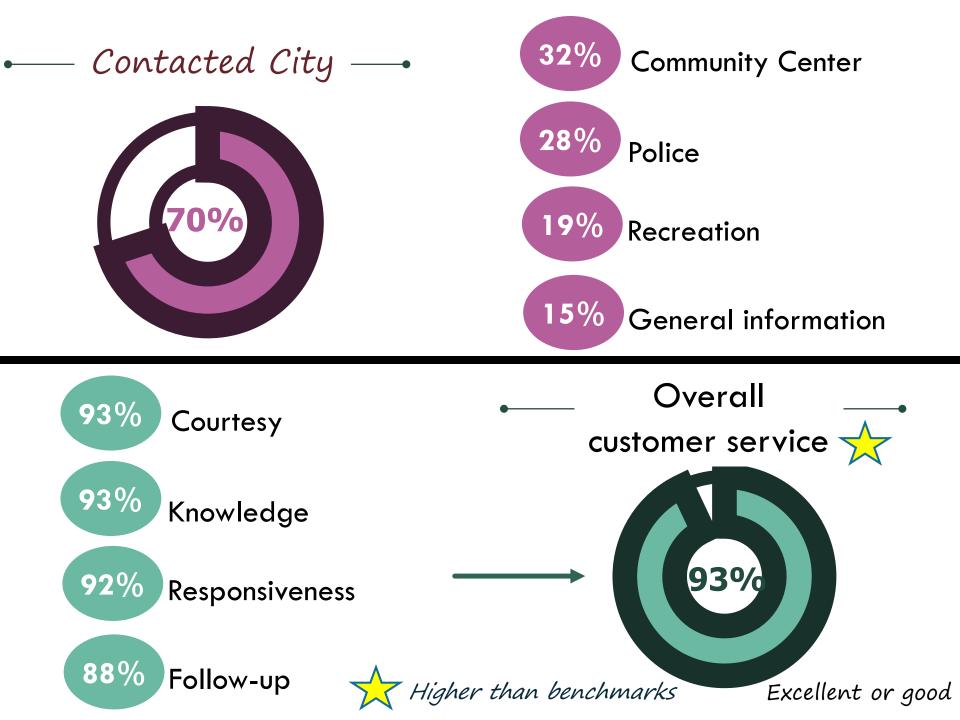


people think the value of services for taxes paid

was excellent or good







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Excellence in Economy



Higher than national benchmark

Percent excellent/good

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Thank you!

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