

SNHPC Public Outreach Event

Community Harvest Festival —October 14, 2012

As part of the SNHPC public outreach for the Granite State Future plan, two opinion surveys were presented to the public at the Community Harvest Festival in Manchester. The results follow.

Visual Preference Survey

The Visual Preference Survey gave the participant the opportunity to identify their personal preference on a range of topics related to their vision of where they live, work, and visit in New Hampshire. There were four categories: Transportation, Housing, Shopping, and Public Space. Each category contained six (6) pictures of which the participant would select their top two preferences. The following results were tabulated from the data received at the Community Harvest Festival in Manchester on October 14th.



Listening Box Responses

The Listening Box cards presented two questions to the participants, "What is best about this area?" and "What could make this area even better?" as well as inquiring if the participant lived, worked, was visiting or was a seasonal resident in the area. The responses to the two questions pertaining to the area were greatly varied, yet several particular responses were repeated by many. Below is a selection from the 103 response cards received that tended to be most common.

What is best about this area?

- People, things to do, fishing, boating, riding.
- Concord, good parks, downtown + close to trails
- Community
- Easy to get to many things. Weather changes. Old charm buildings
- · No stoplights, no shopping centers

What could make this area even better?

- Lower fuel prices
- less/no developments
- Use better bus system
- longer hours downtown
- More parks/recreation
- Trains-more buses