



## 2015-2019 Consolidated Plan Community Needs Survey

**Directions:** In each question below, please select one of the following choices by marking your selection with a check mark.

1. How satisfied are you with the overall conditions of your neighborhood?

- 1. Very Satisfied
- 2. Satisfied
- 3. Neutral
- 4. Dissatisfied
- 5. Very Dissatisfied

2. Where do you live?

- 1. Inner 610 Loop
- 2. Southeast
- 3. Southwest
- 4. Northwest
- 5. Northeast
- 6. Outside of Houston City Limits

3. Does Houston need more affordable housing?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

4. What type of affordable housing does Houston need?

- 1. Rental
- 2. Homeowner

5. Should affordable housing be available in neighborhoods throughout Houston?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

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## Priority Ranking: Needs In Houston

**Directions:** Consider the needs in Houston. In the following questions, rank what you think are the top three needs by placing a 1, 2, and 3 by your three choices. The number “1” represents the highest need and the number “3” represents the lower need.

6. What are the top three types of **affordable housing** needed in Houston?  
(Select the top three and rank – 1-highest to 3-lower)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Constructing new rental apartments
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Providing financial assistance for homeownership (down-payments)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Providing financial assistance to renters for rent, utilities, or security deposits
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Providing financial assistance to homeowners for mortgage or utilities
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Reducing exposure to lead in homes
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Repairing existing rental apartments
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Repairing homeowner housing
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Repairing single-family rental homes

7. Which three groups are most in need of **affordable housing** in Houston?  
(Select the top three and rank – 1-highest to 3-lower)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Persons with a developmental disability
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Elderly
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Homeless
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Low- and moderate-income persons
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Persons with alcohol/drug addictions
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Persons with HIV/AIDS
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Persons with a physical disability
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Persons with a severe mental illness
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Victims of domestic violence

8. What are the top three **supportive services** needed in Houston? (select three)  
(Select the top three and rank – 1-highest to 3-lower)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Child Care Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Health Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Housing Counseling
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Job Training
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Legal Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Transportation Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Youth Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Mental Health Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Substance Abuse Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ 10. General Social Services Not Mentioned Above

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10. What are the top three **neighborhood facilities** needed in Houston?  
(Select the top three and rank – 1-highest to 3-lower)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Child Care Centers
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Facilities Promoting Community Safety (fire stations, police stations)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Health Facilities / Clinics
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Libraries
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Multi-Service Centers
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Parks / Recreation Facilities
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Senior Centers
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Youth Centers
- \_\_\_\_\_ 9. Other Facilities

11. What are the top three **neighborhood services** needed in Houston?  
(Select the top three and rank – 1-highest to 3-lower)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Demolition of Substandard Buildings
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Enforcement of Cleanliness and Safety Codes
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Fair Housing Education
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Historic Preservation
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Homebuyer / Homeowner Counseling
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Neighborhood Crime Awareness / Prevention
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Tenant / Landlord Counseling
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Tree Planting / Beautification

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12. What are the top three **infrastructure improvements** needed in Houston?  
(Select the top three and rank – 1-highest to 3-lower)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Flood Drainage Improvements
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Pedestrian Improvements
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Public Transportation Facility Improvements
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Sewer Line Improvements
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Solid Waste Disposal Facility Improvements
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Street Reconstruction
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Water Line Improvements

13. What are the top three **economic development** needs in Houston?  
(Select the top three and rank – 1-highest to 3-lower)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Job creation / retention
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Employment training
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Façade improvements on commercial or industrial buildings
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Land acquisition for economic development
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. New construction of commercial or industrial buildings
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Rehabilitation of commercial or industrial buildings
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Small business loans

14. Please rank the following in order of importance.  
(Select the top three and rank – 1-highest to 3-lower)

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Affordable Housing
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Supportive Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Neighborhood Facility Improvements and Neighborhood Services
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Infrastructure Improvements
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Economic Development

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## Questions About You

**Directions:** The following questions will ask you to describe yourself. All answers will be confidential and only reported in aggregate. These questions are important to determine who HCDD is reaching when gathering public input. In each question below, please select one of the following choices by marking your selection with a check mark.

15. Are you a... (select all that apply)

- 1. Business owner?
- 2. Commercial property owner?
- 3. Community advocate?
- 4. Healthcare provider?
- 5. Housing provider?
- 6. Landlord?
- 7. Social service provider?
- 8. None of the above

16. Do you...

- 1. Own your home?
- 2. Rent your home?
- 3. Stay with a friend or family member?
- 4. Consider yourself homeless?
- 5. Have other living arrangements?

17. What language do you speak the most at home?

- 1. English
- 2. Spanish
- 3. Vietnamese
- 4. Chinese
- 5. Other

18. Which of the following best describes you?

- 1. Female
- 2. Male

19. Are you Hispanic / Latino?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

20. Which of the following best describes you? Select **all** that apply.

- 1. African-American/Black
- 2. Asian
- 3. American Indian/Alaskan Native
- 4. Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander
- 5. White
- 6. Other Multiracial

21. What is your employment status?

- 1. Part time
- 2. Full time
- 3. Retired
- 4. Unemployed
- 5. Never worked / Do not work

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## Questions About Your Household

**Directions:** A household includes persons living in the same housing unit. The following questions will ask you to describe you and everyone in your household. Answers will be confidential and only reported in aggregate. In each question below, please select one of the following choices by marking your selection with a check mark.

22. What is your household size?

- 1. 1 Member
- 2. 2 Members
- 3. 3 Members
- 4. 4 Members
- 5. 5 Members
- 6. 6 Members
- 7. 7 Members
- 8. 8 Members or More

23. What is your household's yearly income?

- 1. \$15,000 and under
- 2. \$15,001 – \$25,000
- 3. \$25,001 – \$35,000
- 4. \$35,001 – \$45,000
- 5. \$45,001 – \$55,000
- 6. \$55,001 – \$65,000
- 7. \$65,001 – \$75,000
- 8. \$75,001 and up

24. What is the makeup of your household?

- 1. Adults only
- 2. One adult plus children
- 3. Two adults plus children
- 4. Three adults or more plus children

25. Are you or anyone in your household a person with a physical/mental/developmental disability?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

26. Are you or someone in your household a Veteran?

- 1. Yes
- 2. No

27. Has anyone in your household had any of the following problems with buying or renting property in Houston in the past 2 years? Select **all** that apply.

- 1. Credit Issues
- 2. Limited Income
- 3. Could not get a loan
- 4. Discrimination on the basis of race, gender, religion, marital status, family size, or disability status
- 5. None of the above

**Thank you for participating in the Community Needs Survey.**

**Please send completed survey to:**

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**To complete the survey online go to:  
[www.houstonhousing.org](http://www.houstonhousing.org)**