



Community Survey 2011

The Town of Gordonsville is getting ready to update its Comprehensive Plan, which describes the desired future of the Town and how to achieve it. Town Council has authorized this survey to be conducted as part of the plan update process, and **they want to know what you think!** Every household in and around the Town is being given the opportunity to respond. **Please let us know what you think by taking a few minutes to answer the following questions and then dropping the completed survey in the Town drop box behind Town Hall or in collection boxes provided in Town Hall, the Gordonsville Library, Gordonsville Food Lion, the Gordonsville Pharmacy, the Gordonsville Post Office, or the Gordonsville Visitor's Center NO LATER THAN THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2011 (just return the survey, the community meeting announcement is yours to keep!) All responses will remain confidential.**

1. With respect to the future growth and development of the Town, how important to you are the following issues? (circle the number that corresponds to the level of importance for each issue listed, and then briefly explain why you feel that way on the line below each item—feel free to attach an additional sheet if necessary)

	Very Important	Moderately Important	Important	Minimally Important	Unimportant	No opinion
Improving employment opportunities	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Keeping taxes affordable	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Working in the community in which you live	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Encouraging new and existing business growth	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Promoting the Town as a tourist destination	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Improving housing availability & affordability	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Improving streets in Town	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Improving the quality of education	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Supporting recreation programs for youth	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Providing more public playgrounds and parks	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Providing public safety	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Expanding the Town boundaries	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Preserving historic sites and structures	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Protecting scenic views and vistas	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Implementing a Town recycling program	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Creating an independent Town water supply	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						
Providing wireless/broadband service	5	4	3	2	1	0
<i>Reason for choice:</i>						

Tell us what you think—please return this survey by Thursday, November 10, 2011

2. On what street do you live? _____

3. How long have you lived in on that street? _____

4. Please circle one: I own my home I rent a house or apartment Neither of these

5. What type of housing do you think is needed in Town? (circle all that apply)

- a. Single-family homes
- b. Townhouses/Condominiums
- c. Apartments
- d. A mix of single-family, townhouses/condominiums & apartments
- e. senior living
- f. none

6. Please rate the following public services provided by the Town or the County (circle a rating for each):

	Excellent	Good	Fair	Poor	Are you willing to pay increased taxes to improve or expand services? (circle one)		If yes, what % tax increase are you willing to pay? (5%, 10%, etc.)
Police Protection	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Fire Protection	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Rescue Service	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Health & Social Services	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Recreation	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Schools	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Local Government	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Trash Collection/Disposal	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Library	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Streets and Sidewalks	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Town Website	4	3	2	1	Y	N	
Learn to Swim Program	4	3	2	1	Y	N	

7. My work status is: _____ Employed _____ Unemployed _____ Retired

8. If you are employed, in what locality do you work? _____

9. What type of employment opportunities would you like to see created in or around the Town? (please circle all that apply)

- a. Commercial/Retail/Wholesale
- b. Manufacturing, Processing, Distributing
- c. Farm related/Agri-business
- d. Other (please specify _____)
- e. Construction
- f. Technical
- g. None

10. What do you like most about living in the Town of Gordonsville?

11. What do you see as the greatest problem for the Town, now or in the future?

Thank you for participating in the update of the Town's Comprehensive Plan by taking the time to complete this survey!

*The Gordonsville Town Council
and Planning Commission*