

Dear Albuquerque Resident:

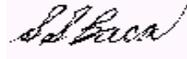
Imagine the possibilities....Albuquerque as a “thriving high desert community of distinctive cultures coming together to create a sustainable future.” Did you know this statement is the City of Albuquerque’s vision? In order to find out what you believe to be true and measure perceptions about Albuquerque’s quality of life, we ask that you take 10 - 15 minutes to complete this survey.

We have a shared responsibility to make our community a better place to live. If you take the time to return this survey in the enclosed postage paid envelope, we will listen to your concerns and use your feedback to improve our 2006 goal setting process that is beginning now. These long term goals will direct the City’s budget in the years to come. To learn more about our current goals and Albuquerque conditions, please see www.cabq.gov/progress. Please return the survey in the postage paid envelope by **January 31, 2006**. Thanks again for your concern about Albuquerque!

Sincerely,



Martin J. Chávez
Mayor



Stephen S. Baca
Chairperson, IPC



City of Albuquerque
Resident Survey
Anonymous Random
Sample

2006 Resident Opinion Survey

Below are some issues the Albuquerque community is facing. Think about each issue with community needs in mind – not your own individual situation - and check how much of a priority you think it is (extremely high to extremely low). Your answer does not imply that the issue should be addressed by the City government or any other specific organization, only that the issue should or should not be a priority for our Community.

PRIORITY ISSUE FOR THE COMMUNITY	Extremely high	High	Middle	Low	Extremely Low
Improving the health care system.
Improving public education.
Revitalizing older neighborhoods.
Attracting businesses and creating jobs.
Increasing water conservation.
Improving the quality of the City transit system.
Lowering the crime rate throughout the City.
Improving regional air quality.
Reducing substance abuse.
Remedying unequal provision of infrastructure (water, sewer, roads, parks, police stations, schools, etc.) within the City.
Rate of population growth and development.

Below is a list of specific problems other Albuquerque residents have identified. Considering your own family’s situation or condition - not those of others in our community - please check whether this is a big problem, somewhat of a problem, or not a problem for you or your family.

PROBLEM FOR YOU OR YOUR FAMILY	Big Problem	Somewhat of a Problem	Not a Problem
Shortage of opportunities for well-paying jobs for you.	.	.	.
Traffic congestion on major roads.	.	.	.

<i>Continued from previous page</i> PROBLEM FOR YOU OR YOUR FAMILY	Big Problem	Somewhat of a Problem	Not a Problem
Shortage of availability of housing you can afford.	'	'	'
Lack of parks near your home.	'	'	'
Lack of availability of cultural and entertainment attractions.	'	'	'
Crime in your neighborhood.	'	'	'
Lack of recycling opportunities.	'	'	'
Lack of walkable neighborhoods.	'	'	'
Racial or cultural discrimination.	'	'	'
Health care access for you and your family.	'	'	'
Rate at which natural areas and farms are being consumed for development.	'	'	'

Generally, how satisfied are you with the:

	Very satisfied	Somewhat Satisfied	Somewhat Dissatisfied	Very Dissatisfied
House or apartment in which you live.	'	'	'	'
Neighborhood in which you live.	'	'	'	'
City of Albuquerque's ability to solve problems.	'	'	'	'
Typical daily commute you make to work or school.	'	'	'	'
Quality of public education in Albuquerque.	'	'	'	'
Protection of Albuquerque's environment (air, land, water).	'	'	'	'
Ability of area local governments to work together.	'	'	'	'
Availability of entertainment opportunities.	'	'	'	'

Many people say they face trade offs when choosing a place to live – meaning that they have to give up some things in order to have other things. How do you feel about the following trade offs, other things being equal? Check one option (A versus B) for each Choice (1 through 5).

Choice 1	OPTION A <input type="checkbox"/>	Option A: Would you choose to live in a small home with a small backyard, if it means you have a short commute to work?	OPTION B <input type="checkbox"/>	Option B: Would you choose to live in a large home with a large backyard, even if it means you would have a long commute to work?
Choice 2	OPTION A <input type="checkbox"/>	Option A: Would you choose to live in a mixed use neighborhood where you can walk to stores, schools, and services?	OPTION B <input type="checkbox"/>	Option B: Would you choose to live in a residential only neighborhood, even if it means you have to drive a car to stores, schools, and services?
Choice 3	OPTION A <input type="checkbox"/>	Option A: Would you choose to live in a high density neighborhood where it was convenient to use public transit when you travel locally?	OPTION B <input type="checkbox"/>	Option B: Would you choose to live in a low density neighborhood where you would have to drive your car when you travel locally?

Many people say there are tradeoffs involved in land use and development issues – meaning that they have to give up some things in order to have other things. For each of the following Options (A versus B), thinking about the Middle Rio Grande region, please check the box which comes closest to your views.

Choice 4	OPTION A <input type="checkbox"/>	Option A: Local governments should work independently and have their own plans for <u>local</u> land use and development.	OPTION B <input type="checkbox"/>	Option B; Local governments should work together and have a common plan for regional land use and development.
Choice 5	OPTION A <input type="checkbox"/>	Option A: Local governments should steer growth to already developed areas in order to preserve open space and encourage the use of public transit.	OPTION B <input type="checkbox"/>	Option B; Local government should allow growth in undeveloped areas in our region in order to avoid high density and traffic congestion.

In deciding where to live, indicate how important each of the following statements would be to you.

CHARACTERISTIC	Mandatory- Wouldn't live without this.	Important	Don't care one way or another	Would NOT live in a home with this characteristic
Being within walking distance of public transportation.	'	'	'	'
Being within walking distance to schools.	'	'	'	'
Being within walking distance to stores and restaurants.	'	'	'	'
Sidewalks and places to take walks.	'	'	'	'
Living in a community with mixed types of housing.	'	'	'	'
Having a large house on at least 1/3 (one third) acre lot.	'	'	'	'
Being within a 30 minute commute to work.	'	'	'	'
Easy access to the Interstate or major highway.	'	'	'	'
Living in a community of people with various income levels.	'	'	'	'
Living in a community with people at all stages of life	'	'	'	'
Being within walking distance of your Church, Synagogue or religious place of worship.	'	'	'	'
Living in a place that's away from it all.	'	'	'	'
Living in a place that's at the center of it all.	'	'	'	'
Living in a quiet neighborhood.	'	'	'	'

Which of the following proposals is the best long term solution to reducing traffic problems in Albuquerque and the surrounding areas? Pick one ONLY.

- Building new roads.
- Developing communities where people do not have to drive long distances to work or shop.
- Improving public transportation such as light rail, buses, and trains.
- Don't know.

So that the City of Albuquerque can better understand the community concerns of its residents, please provide the following information. This information is used for statistical analysis purposes only. Answers cannot be traced back to any individual in any way. Your privacy is totally secure.

Including yourself, how many people reside in your household?

1 3 5 or more

2 4

How long have you been an Albuquerque resident?

Less than 2 years 10-19 years

2-5 years 20 or more years

6-9 years

Which best describes your ethnic/cultural background?

Spanish or Hispanic or Latino African American

Caucasian not Hispanic Asian American

American Indian Other (please specify): _____

Which best describes your total yearly household income before taxes?

Less than \$10,000 \$50,001 to \$75,000

\$10,000 to \$20,000 \$75,001 to \$100,000

\$20,001 to \$35,000 Over \$100,000

\$35,001 to \$50,000

What best describes the home in which you reside?

Single family house Condominium/Co-op

Apartment Manufactured/mobile home

Townhouse (shared wall)

Are you . . .

Male Female

Which best describes your age?

18 to 24 50 to 64

25 to 34 65 to 79

35 to 49 80 or over

What is the highest level of education you have attained?

Less than high school Trade School

High School Graduate Bachelor's Degree

Some college Graduate Degree

Are you currently ...

Employed full-time Full-time homemaker

Employed part-time Full-time student

Retired Disabled

Unemployed, looking for work

How many people in your household are 18 years of age or less?

0 2 - 3

1 4 or more

How do you usually commute to work?

Drive alone Public Transit

Carpool Walk

Bicycle Other: _____

Work at Home

Do you rent or own the home in which you reside?

rent own

Do you think you will still be living in Albuquerque 5 years from now?

Yes No

Please provide any other comments you would like to make.

Thank you for completing this survey and helping your community!