

Community Survey

Community Safety and Well-Being Thunder bay

This community survey is being administered by the City of Thunder Bay's Crime Prevention Council, as part of the development of its Community Safety and Well-Being Plan. The plan will provide a model for collaboration, planning, and action to shape how current and emerging issues are responded to through ongoing engagement with community stakeholders.

The survey includes questions about your life in Thunder Bay, including well-being and sense of safety. By sharing your experiences and what matters to you, you help to shape life in Thunder Bay, determine community priorities, and indicate where you think change is most needed.

The survey will take approximately 15 minutes to complete. All responses will be kept confidential, and only overall results, without individual identifying information, will be shared.

Please return this completed survey to Lee-Ann Chevrette, Coordinator, Crime Prevention Council, at lchevrette@thunderbay.ca, or drop off at City Hall, 500 Donald St. E.

Deadline: February 21, 2020 at 4:30 pm

Please use checkmarks to select your responses.

1. What is your age?

- 17 or younger
- 18 to 30 years
- 31 to 45 years
- 46 to 54 years
- 55 to 64 years
- 65 to 74 years
- 75 or older
- Prefer not to say

2. With which gender identity do you identify?

- Female
- Male
- Transgender/transitioning
- Non-binary
- Other, not listed _____
- Prefer not to say

3. With what group do you most identify?

- First Nation
 - Métis
 - Inuit
 - Black
 - East Indian
 - Latin American
 - Middle Eastern
 - South Asian
 - White
 - Prefer not to say
- Other (please specify) _____

4. Which of the following best describes your current relationship status?

- Married
- Living Common-law
- Widowed
- Divorced
- Separated
- Single, never been married
- Prefer not to say

5. Do you identify with any of the following communities? (Select all that apply.)

- Indigenous community
- Newcomer/immigrant community
- Black community

- Disabled community
 - 2SLGBTIQ+ community
 - I do not identify with any of these communities
 - Prefer not to say
6. What is your total annual household income?
- Less than \$25,000
 - \$25,000 to less than \$50,000
 - \$50,000 to less than \$75,000
 - \$75,000 to less than \$100,000
 - \$100,000 of more
 - Prefer not to say
7. What is the highest level of education you have completed?
- some elementary of high school
 - High school diploma or equivalent
 - Some/completed trade/technical school
 - Some college or some university
 - College Diploma
 - Undergraduate University degree
 - Graduate degree (Master's, PhD)
 - Prefer not to say
8. Which of the following categories best describes your current employment status?
- working full-time
 - working part-time
 - contract work or temporary work
 - self-employed
 - unemployed
 - not in workforce (household work / caring for children or family members) /disability)
 - retired
 - student
 - Other
9. Do you live in Thunder Bay?
- Yes
 - No

If you answered yes to question 9:

- 9.i. How long have you lived in Thunder Bay?
- Less than one year
 - 1 to less than 5 years
 - 5 to less than 10 years
 - 10 to less than 20 years
 - 20 years or more

10. Were you born in Canada?

- Yes
- No

If you answered no to question 10:

10i. How long have you lived in Canada?

- Less than one year
- 1 to less than 5 years
- 5 to less than 10 years
- 10 to less than 20 years
- More than 20 years

11. What is your postal code? _____

(Your postal code does not identify your home address)

12. Taking all things together, how do you feel?

- Very happy
- Happy
- Neither happy nor unhappy
- Unhappy
- Very unhappy

13. All things considered, how would you rate your overall quality of life in Thunder Bay?

- Poor
- Fair
- Good
- Very good
- Excellent
- Prefer not to say

*If you are experiencing a mental health crisis, please contact the Crisis line at 807-346-8282.)
ConnexOntario provides a directory of addiction, mental health and gambling treatment
services: www.connexontario.ca.*

14. In general, I would say my overall mental health is:

- Poor
- Fair
- Good
- Very good
- Excellent
- Prefer not to say

15. In general, I would say my overall physical health is:

- Poor
- Fair
- Good

- Very good
- Excellent
- Prefer not to say

16. Overall, in my life I experience:

- No stress
- Low stress
- Moderate stress
- High stress
- Overwhelming stress
- Prefer not to say

17. Which of the following statements best describes the food eaten in your household in the past 12 months?

- You and other household members always had enough to eat and access to healthy and nutritious foods
- You and other household members had enough to eat, but not always healthy and nutritious foods
- Sometimes you and other household members did not have enough to eat
- Often you and other household members did not have enough to eat
- Don't know
- Prefer not to say

18. In the last twelve months, did you access emergency food supply/sources (i.e. food bank, soup kitchens, community food cupboard, etc.)

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

If you answered yes to question 18:

19i. How often did you access emergency food supply/sources (i.e. food bank, soup kitchen, community food cupboard, etc.)?

- 1-5 times per month
- 5-10 times per month
- More than 10 times per month
- Daily

19. Are you familiar with Canada's Low-Risk Drinking Guidelines?

- Yes
- No

20. In the last 12 months, how often did you have a drink of alcohol?

- I have never had a drink of alcohol
- I did not use alcohol in the past 12 months
- Less than once a month
- Once a month
- 2 or 3 times a month

- Once a week
- 2 to 3 times a week
- 4 to 6 times a week
- Every day
- Prefer not to say

21. Are you familiar with Canada's Lower-Risk Cannabis Use Guidelines?

- Yes
- No

22. In the last 12 months, how often did you use another drug or substance (cannabis, pharmaceuticals, MDMA, hallucinogens, heroin, cocaine, fentanyl, synthetic cannabinoids, bath salts, salvia, etc.)?

- ▪ I have never used another drug or substance
- ▪ I did not use another drug or substance in the past 12 months
- ▪ Less than once a month
- ▪ once a month
- ▪ 2 or 3 times a month
- ▪ once a week
- ▪ 2 to 3 times a week
- ▪ 4 to 6 times a week
- ▪ every day
- ▪ Prefer not to say

23. In general, how do you feel about your personal finances?

- No stress
- Low stress
- Moderate stress
- High stress
- Overwhelming stress

24. Describe your current housing situation:

- Home ownership

If you answered home ownership:

24i. Can you afford your mortgage on most months?

- Yes
- No
- Prefer not to say

- Renting

If you answered renting:

24.ii. What kind of renting?

- Market rent
- Subsidized rent

24iii. Can you afford to pay your rent on most months?

- Yes

- No
 - Prefer not to say

 - Transitional housing
 - Homeless (in shelter, couch surfing, staying with friends or family, sleeping outside)
 - Nursing home
 - University/college residence
 - In corrections
 - Boarding home
 - Retirement housing
- Other (please specify): _____

25. How stable is your current housing situation?

- very stable
- somewhat stable
- neither stable nor unstable
- unstable
- very unstable
- prefer not to say

YOU'RE HALFWAY THERE! We really appreciate your input! Please continue.

26. Do you consider yourself a resident of Thunder Bay?

- Yes
- No

27. Please describe what brought you to Thunder Bay?

- I have always lived in Thunder Bay
- Education opportunities
- Employment opportunities
- Health/medical services
- Family reasons
- Other _____

28. How would you describe your sense of belonging in Thunder Bay?

(Belonging is a sense of fitting in or feeling as though you are an important member of a group.)

- Very weak
- Weak
- Neither weak nor strong
- Strong
- Very strong

If you answered weak or very weak, please indicate why you feel this way:

If you answered strong or very strong, please indicate why you feel this way:

29. Please rate how you agree or disagree with the following statement:

I would recommend Thunder Bay to others as a good place to live.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

If you answered strongly disagree or disagree, please indicate why you feel this way:

If you answered agree or strongly agree, please indicate why you feel this way:

30. Please rate how you agree or disagree with the following statement:

I have friends, family or support people that I can call on for help when I need it most.

- Strongly agree
- Agree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Strongly disagree

31. How well would you say you know your neighbours?

- Very well
- Fairly well
- not very well
- not at all

32. Have you volunteered during the past 12 months?

- Yes
- No

33. How often do you feel lonely?

- Never
- Hardly ever
- Occasionally
- Some of the time
- Often
- Always

34. Please rate how you agree or disagree with the following statement:

Thunder Bay is a welcoming community

- Strongly disagree
- Somewhat disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

35. How often do you feel uncomfortable or out of place in your neighborhood because of your:

	All of the time	Sometimes	Often	Never
Ethnicity				
Culture				
Skin colour				
Language				
Accent				
Gender				
Sexual orientation				
Religion				
Level of ability				

36. Please rate how serious you feel the level of crime is in Thunder Bay.

- Not at all serious
- Not very serious
- Somewhat serious
- Very serious

37. Over the last five years, do you believe crime in Thunder Bay has:

- Decreased substantially
- Decreased somewhat
- Remained about the same
- Increased somewhat
- Increased substantially

If you answered increased somewhat or increased substantially in question 37, please indicate why you believe this to be the case:

If you answered increased somewhat or increased substantially in question 37, please indicate what type(s) of crime do you think are increasing locally. Select all that apply:

- Assault
- Homicide
- Domestic/intimate partner violence
- Property crime
- Robbery
- Hate crime
- Sexual exploitation/human trafficking
- Theft/break and enters
- Other (please specify) _____

If you answered decreased somewhat or decreased substantially in question 37, please indicate why you believe this to be the case:

38. Please select up to 5 interventions from the list below that you believe would have the greatest impact on improving community safety and well-being.

- more police officers
- treatment and prevention of problematic substance use issues
- treatment and prevention of mental health challenges
- reducing poverty
- addressing racism and other forms of discrimination
- more programs for children and youth
- community education and awareness
- more employment options
- safe and affordable housing
- improved response and services to protect children
- parenting programs
- changes to the justice system
- neighbourhood safety programs
- better access to health care
- Other (please specify) _____

39. Compared to other communities in Ontario, do you think Thunder Bay has:

- Lower rates of crime
- About the same rates of crime
- Higher rates of crime

47. How safe do you feel from crime in the following areas/times?

	Very unsafe	Somewhat Unsafe	Neither safe nor unsafe	Somewhat safe	Very safe
When you are in your own home during the day					
When you are in your own home after dark					
Walking alone in your own neighbourhood during the day					
Walking alone in your own neighbourhood after dark					
Walking alone downtown during the day					
Walking alone downtown after dark					
At your school					
At your workplace					

If you've identified feeling very unsafe or somewhat unsafe in any of the above, please provide the main reason underlying why you feel that way.

48. In your opinion, the role of policing in community safety is:

- Extremely important
- Very important
- Somewhat important
- Not so important
- Not at all important

49. How much, if at all, do your feelings about safety and crime influence what you do (where you go and when)?

- Not at all
- Very little
- Some
- Quite a bit
- Significantly

If you answered some, quite a bit or significantly, in question 49, please describe how your feelings influence what you do.

50. Please rate how you agree or disagree with the following statement:

I feel comfortable allowing my children to play outside in my neighbourhood:

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Agree
- Strongly agree
- Not applicable

If you answered disagree or strongly disagree in question 49, please indicate why:

51. Please rate how you agree or disagree with the following statement:

I feel that racism and discrimination is a serious issue in Thunder Bay.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Agree
- Strongly agree

52. In the last 12 months, have you personally experienced racism or discrimination?

- Yes
- No

53. In the last 12 months, have you personally witnessed racism or discrimination?

- Yes
- No

Please rate how you agree or disagree with the following statements:

54. I am comfortable challenging racism or discrimination when I experience it.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree
- Not applicable

55. I am comfortable challenging racism or discrimination when I witness it.

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

56. I believe that spending time in nature/on the land is essential to one's well-being:

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

57. I am concerned about climate change and its impacts on community safety and well-being:

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

58. I believe the condition of the natural environment is closely linked with my own personal well-being:

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

59. I believe the condition of the natural environment is closely linked with the safety of our community:

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

60. I feel comfortable allowing my children to play outside in my neighbourhood:

- Strongly disagree
- Disagree
- Neither agree nor disagree
- Somewhat agree
- Strongly agree

61. If you are not comfortable allowing your children to play outside, please explain the reason(s) why.

62. What do you love about Thunder Bay?

63. Which issue(s) require(s) the most improvement or attention to improve safety and well-being in Thunder Bay?

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