



ELM STREET NEIGHBORHOOD SURVEY
North by Northwest Neighborhood Initiative: 2010



Please take five minutes to help make Bethlehem's NbNW Neighborhoods better places to live!

By answering the 22 questions below, you will help the North by Northwest Neighborhood Initiative understand your issues and concerns about the neighborhood and develop strategies to make the neighborhoods better places to live. Your answers are anonymous and will be kept strictly confidential.

1. What street and block do you live on? (i.e., Derry Street, 100 Block)

Street name: _____ Block # _____

2. What are the three qualities you like and dislike the most about your neighborhood?

Like	Dislike
a) _____	a) _____
b) _____	b) _____
c) _____	c) _____

3. How satisfied are you with your neighborhood? (select one)

	Very satisfied
	Somewhat satisfied
	Not satisfied
	Very unsatisfied

4. Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statements about your neighborhood.

	Strongly Agree	Agree	Neutral	Disagree	Strongly Disagree
I have many friends in my neighborhood.					
My neighborhood is a good place to live.					
My neighborhood is a good place to raise children.					
I am generally optimistic about what's happening in my neighborhood.					
I live in an Elm Street neighborhood.					
I feel empowered to change things in my neighborhood that I don't like.					
My neighborhood is safe and clean.					

5. Rank your satisfaction levels with city services related to the following items on a scale of 1-5 (with 1 being totally dissatisfied and 5 being very satisfied):

	Vacant and abandoned buildings
	Vacant lots
	Abandoned cars
	Trash/litter
	Street cleaning
	Police presence and law enforcement
	Emergency services
	Rodent control
	Street lighting
	Street trees
	Graffiti
	Parks and playgrounds

6. If given a choice... (select one)

- I would continue to live in this Bethlehem neighborhood.
- I would leave this neighborhood and move to (please specify):

7. From the following list, please select the top three changes that you think would make your Bethlehem neighborhood a better place to live. (select three)

- Slower car and truck traffic through the neighborhood
- Repair neighborhood houses
- Improve street lighting
- Restrict on-street parking
- Repave streets; fill pot-holes
- Repair or replace sidewalks
- Clean up and maintain vacant lots
- Increase police presence and enforcement

8. In general, how well do you know your neighbors? (select one)

- Very well: I consider them friends and we talk and socialize together often
- Fairly well: We talk occasionally and I know their names
- Not too well: I might say hello when I see them but don't know much about them
- Not at all: I never speak to them and don't know their names

9. a) Do you currently participate in the Fairview or Neighbors on Watch Block Watch? (select one)

- Yes
- No

b) If you don't currently participate, would you be interested in participating in a block watch? (select one)

- Yes
- No

10. In general, what is your best source for information about neighborhood meetings, activities and issues? (select one)

- Newspaper
- Radio
- Websites
- E-mail
- Print newsletters
- Posters, flyers, church bulletins
- Word-of-mouth
- Other (please specify):

11. In general, how well does the neighborhood communicate its issues, policies, and operations to residents? (select one)

- Excellent: I know about important meetings and projects well in advance.
- Fairly well: I find out about most issues but not always in time to get involved.
- Poorly: I hear about many things of interest to me at the last minute or not at all.
- Very poorly: I never hear about neighborhood issues that matter to me.

12. How often do you shop on Main Street in Bethlehem? (select one)

- Daily
- Once or twice a month
- Never
- Once a week
- Seldom (a few times a year)

13. What type of businesses would you most like to see open on Main Street in Bethlehem?

(check all that apply)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Gift shop
<input type="checkbox"/>	Bakery
<input type="checkbox"/>	Restaurant
<input type="checkbox"/>	Grocery store, produce market
<input type="checkbox"/>	Clothing store
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pub or bar
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hardware store
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ice cream shop
<input type="checkbox"/>	Coffee shop
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hair salon or barber
<input type="checkbox"/>	Tailor or dry cleaner
<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (please specify): _____

14. How long have you lived in this neighborhood? (select one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Less than a year
<input type="checkbox"/>	1 – 2 years
<input type="checkbox"/>	3 – 5 years
<input type="checkbox"/>	5 – 10 years
<input type="checkbox"/>	10 or more year

15. Do you own or rent? (select one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Own
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rent

16. Do you live in a house or in an apartment? (select one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Single-family detached house
<input type="checkbox"/>	Single-family attached (duplex or row house)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Apartment

17. Please indicate the number of people in each age group in your household.

(fill in all that apply)

<input type="text"/>	Under 5 years old
<input type="text"/>	5 to 12 years old
<input type="text"/>	13 to 17 years old
<input type="text"/>	18 to 24 years old
<input type="text"/>	25 to 34 years old
<input type="text"/>	35 to 54 years old
<input type="text"/>	55 to 64 years old
<input type="text"/>	65 to 74 years old
<input type="text"/>	75 years old or older

18. If you have school-aged children, what type of school do they attend? (select one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Public school in neighborhood
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public school outside of neighborhood
<input type="checkbox"/>	Charter school
<input type="checkbox"/>	Private or parochial school
<input type="checkbox"/>	Home schooling

19. Are you employed? (select one)

- Full-time
- Part-time
- Retired
- Currently unemployed

20. If you have a job, how do you typically get to work? (select one)

- Personal vehicle (car, van, truck, motorcycle)
- Carpool, rideshare
- Public transit (bus, light rail)
- Taxicab, jitney
- Bicycle
- Walk
- Work at home
- Other (please specify):

21. What is the highest level of formal education you have completed? (select one)

- Some high school
- High school graduate, GED
- Some college
- Associates degree
- Bachelors degree
- Masters degree or higher

22. Are you aware of any public or private programs that finance home improvement and repairs? (select one)

- Yes
- No, but I would like to learn more
- No, and I would not be interested in that type of program

Please feel free to provide any additional comments about your neighborhood in the space below.

THANK YOU for completing this survey. It will help us as we strive to make your neighborhood a better place!

If you would like to receive additional information about resources for homeowners in your neighborhood, please contact A.G. Pitsilos at 610-997-5732 or apitsilos@bethlehem-pa.gov.