

Question #1: What makes Newberg a great place to live?

Facebook Responses

- Arts. People. Community.
- 99W Drive In of course
- Small town feel.
- Family friendly community events. Common goal to make our community even better. Parks and outdoor activities.
- Great public schools!
- Food. Wine. Art. Community spirit. University town.
- The PEOPLE who are engaged in creating wholesome, family-friendly community events like [Tunes on Tuesday](#) and the Old Fashion Festival.

Poster Responses

- George Fox College
- Coffee Cottage and music
- The farmers market
- Awesome animal hospital
- Newberg would be perfect if we had light rail/fast train Portland to coast!
- Great local pub crawls and real poke and real crab ragoon
- Amazing community
- It is my birthplace, mine too
- The residents are so courteous to us old people
- We are right in the middle – between pdx and Salem; between the mountains and the coast
- Small enough to get anywhere by car in 5 minutes, 10 by bicycle, 20-30 by foot
- GFU
- Library, theater, art
- No mosquitos
- It's a laid back little place where one can navigate the whole thing on foot
- Small town feel but plenty to do
- Wonderful bible teaching churches
- Flowers, particularly Friendsview gardens
- Churches, schools all work together to honor community values – Love Inc is great!
- Always “something to do” keeps one active
- Friendly, helpful people
- When it snows, only ½ the town is white out
- We are becoming diverse!
- All the fun stuff you can do for fun
- Good library system – even if they are closed on Mondays
- The library and friends and family
- Don't know really find out for yourself
- Video games

- We know where to go
- Friendly people, pretty area...great children's programs at the library
- Families, low crime
- When there's no school kids are like 😊
- Good coffee options
- The way people care about each other
- It has food
- It's where our family lives
- The choice to do stuff is unlimited
- Everything is within walking distance because it's so small
- George Fox University
- Good friends and fun activities
- My boyfriend
- My girlfriend
- More apartments than Mac
- The people – tight knit community, good small businesses, churches, and the library
- The school fairs
- 23 miles from pdx, 65-75 minutes to the beach
- Old fashioned festival fireworks
- It's nice to walk down the street getting eye contact and "hellos" from strangers. That's community, and I hope Newberg is like that in 2030.

Other Responses

- The people – They are involved in Chamber, 2 Rotary clubs, Kiwanis, all kinds of community partnerships and organizations. The support and involvement of a community's members is critical to the success of the community. When people start saying 'Someone else will handle it, I don't have to.' the community starts to go downhill. People in Newberg jump right in and help no matter what and no questions asked. Wouldn't live anywhere else.
- Its small town feel and rural (farms, horses, alpacas, vineyards) environment surrounding and interspersed throughout the city. Other incredible amenities include the golf course/trails, Willamette River, aquatics center, library, community center, hospital, two colleges, quaint downtown area, excellent community events, and the Allison. Also, it's close proximity to Portland and the airport, without being a contiguous suburb of Portland.
- Small town, close to big city, people, places, activities

Question #2: What is Newberg missing that would make it a really great place to live?

Facebook Responses

- A bowling alley or something that would be fun to take the family to do besides the drive in and cameo.
- Affordable housing
- I posted in the shared copy, everyone wants bowling but I believe we just need more community events that bring us together, tunes on Tuesdays is great and the art walk also, we should have downtown family days more regular
- Hey Mike, were trying to work on something.... [Newberg Art Connect](#)
- Skating rink, or bowling alley would be great, but for us elderly nondrinkers I know I'd like to see a night club with food and music for dancing. We don't have a country music night club
- Ohh its been ages since I went country dancing. that would be a blast!
- More music, dancing, exhibits, fairs, culture, theatre and arts, please.
- A major art event in the future (selfless promotion)[Newberg Art Connect](#)
- A community "hub" somewhere that everyone, of all ages and demographics, can gather and enjoy our community. Whether it's for music, arts, other entertainment to food, crafts, and things such as the farmers market the Butler Property is being underutilized and would be a great place to create Newberg's Living room where people gather at the end of the day or have events on weekends.
- Larger and more parks and nature areas, a walking/ biking path between Newberg and Dundee, more community arts and cultural events, more pedestrian-friendly areas, Montessori preschool/school options, more local businesses filling vacancies downtown.
- Something to draw people in. We don't have decent shopping imo. I like the few stores that are here, but something else would be nice. Trader Joe's in a small shopping center like Beaverton has would be fun. I get so tired of the drive into town to shop.
- Great Schools
- More developed water access, places for people to hike along the river, swim on the shores without having a boat...somewhere with a bathroom nearby.
- This is kind of a random comment, but I keep noticing that the wine barrels around town seem to be fading/not very clean and I've wondered if a lacquered finish, (or something...I'm not an expert!), would brighten them up and keep them looking fresher... Also wish they could be fuller - more along the lines of the hanging baskets we used to have (and are greatly missed)!
- Less highway traffic on First Street to make it more pleasant for locals. More outdoor seating, more family restaurants/breweries type thing. More non religion/church based kids activities. More walking/hiking trails between Newberg/Dundee. Better use of the river area.
- Running trails!! Love how Bend is laid out in that way. Trails everywhere!!
- Running and walking paths away from traffic
- Age and all-ability friendly streets, sidewalks, shops and parks.
- Running and biking trails that connect the town.
- Bring back a Bowling Alley PLEASE!!!
- A Unitarian church
- Another Dutch brothers! Mac has 3....
- We have 2
- We need a 3rd!

- Yeah! They get so packed!
- A sushi bar or a Japanese Hibachi Grill! Or a miniature golf course with black lights. Lol
- There will be a sushi & steak Restaurant soon taking over Pasquales building
- Yeay!!! 😊
- I agree with a bowling alley.
- We need a Bowling alley cause we had one a long time ago, and it's something family friendly, and we don't have one. Instead of the same type thing but just a different name (examples: coffee shops, pizza parlor and fast food)
- More community events like first Friday and tunes on Tuesday...family style fun days down town
- I agree with [Kari Anne Semmler](#) it would be great if there was a bowling alley, my kids would love it and it would be nice to be able to have a place to hold birthday parties at that you don't have to drive miles to get to.
- I know it would benefit locally because [Jimmy Chogyoji](#) little one needs a close spot to practice, as well as it could be another sport for the middle school and high schools to offer for athletics.
- This. When those apartments are built



- Deer crossings?
- Really? Deer in the area.
- It does look like a deer is crossing the road. That is what I thought was being implied :)
- They actually have made land crossings for animals, so seeing a deer in a roadway, that's what I thought was being said. Sorry for misunderstanding
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- It's cool.
- Something like Dave and Busters or Big AL's. Family entertainment, that can be transformed into adult only/21+
- We have a unique location to bring safe entertainment business from Mac to St Paul and small towns between. People don't want to be forced to drive Portland or Bton to do something. It almost makes it a day trip for some family fun.
- Price needs to be reasonable too, the wings and waves was too expensive to go weekly
- Bowling lanes
- A water park or bowling alley.
- Bowling alley with shuffle board, pool tables, ping pong, foosball, a table air hockey, darts, pinball, things the under 21 crowd and adults could enjoy! Also with a separate room for parties, and kids games.
- Costa Vida [See Translation](#)

- Something for children/teens or family to do. Rite Aid has a huge area they don't use...thought a rolling rink would be a cool addition to town.
- I told [Cody Lee Dean](#) this. I have a pair of roller skates sitting bored in a closet.
- A bowling alley PLEASE, I WILL HELP WITH ANY ASPECT haha
- Have 25 mil to lend them?
- I can coordinate fundraisers, find deals and cheaper priced labor/volunteers, property areas with good access, local help from St Paul, Newberg, Dundee, Sherwood etc. There are many ways to help and I will do anything I can to see a bowling alley here in Newberg for the community
- So you think if we build it they will come?
- I strongly believe through community chat outlets that the need for recreational entertainment for the youth - the middle aged adult is increasing in importance as our populace is growing rapidly. A bowling alley although costly, has an incredibly high chance of success in a town with a large demographic of people aged 10-40. That is excluding the people in the 10 - 15 mile perimeter that would benefit from now having the closest Bowling alley to their home. Right now McMinnville, big al's and Wilsonville are the closest and they flourish with business. Often times are overcrowded, so a positive solution could be an additional Bowling alley in a young oriented population growing town to not only take on overflow customers but also the direct in town possibilities. Not only the bowling but an arcade, good food and having a license to sell liquor creates an entirely new target audience. I strongly but respectfully disagree with anyone that thinks a bowling alley would have a problem with success in Newberg.
- country bar
- No
- Yes
- For dancing
- Bowling Alley
- Bowling alley
- BOWLING ALLEY! :-) I am spending my money right this very minute at Wilsonville Bowling and I would rather spend it local!
- Anyone else there? Looks a little empty
- With black lights!
- They were in the lanes to the left, the league starts in an hour so will be crowded then :-)
- A great seafood restaurant
- Tourist attraction ;)
- No
- Was kind of a wine sarcasm comment :)
- Reasonable housing would be nice
- Living wage jobs
- Yes
- A big Al's type bowling alley. A buffet restaurant. Indoor amusements of sorts.
- Something more for families and/or kids to do!!
- Commerce of any sorts. No, not Freds or Safeway. Actual places to shop around town would be nice. Oh, and food. Not some chain either, but something substantial and not open odd hours. Personally, I haven't stepped foot into a bowling alley since college and I probably wouldn't on my own accord.
- Bowling Alley!
- Local heavy metal concerts.
- Affordable and accessible housing
- Something for young people to do!

- Bowling alley and arcade.
- A real downtown like McMinnville has.
- A good family restaurant!
- Affordable housing. We can't buy a house at prices here now. A Bowling Alley or a Skating Rink would be great, too.
- A Family Fun Center like Bullwinkle's in Wilsonville
- Industry, offering variety of good jobs.
- A bowling alley
- Even more community - location for winter family fun for all ages. First Friday and Tunes on Tuesday are nice in the summer. A lot of great things here. Thank you!
- A winter street festival with Bon fires, vendors, shops open with sidewalk sales, games, micro brews, music. Had one every winter in Lewistown Montana the whole community turned out for as well as travelers.
- Less traffic
- Bowling alley!
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- Bowling Alley!!
- Chehalem pool, library, basketball courts, skate/bike park, river, Hess Creek, great Parks, history of homes, Champoeg, dog park, shopping, theatres, gyms, classes, why don't we get locals to enjoy the gifts we have, we need more housing and affordability for our lack of living wages
- And people say they have nothing for family's to do
- Music! Lotsa music! Fests, concerts, weekly bands for dancing, whatever! Just lotsa music! Live preferred!
- Cheaper housing
- Cut the water / sewer bill to where it actually should be not supporting everything that city thinks it should pay for. Change the retirement program of city workers so residents aren't expected to add to their water bill to keep paying for every city employee that retires. City employees should get on programs like other employers that have employees take before tax money and put it into a 401K or similar program and City match no more than the first 6% with a maximum per year. Then when city employees retire they are living off their savings not residence of Newberg.
- Then they can afford more activities , like our fabulous park and rec
- An affordable juried place for local artisans to sell their things year round
- We need rolling rink, bowling alley or/and trampoline place.
- A McMenamins with outdoor area for kids to run around and parents/families to relax. Good food, live music, outdoor game, and community all in one
- Trader Joes

Poster Responses

- A Royal Panda restaurant
- Bowling Alley
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- Improved baseball fields for youth
- Make downtown a pedestrian mall, get traffic out
- The whole bypass
- Public fundraisers vs taxes for a three year plan not 14 year plan
- Bowling alley and arcade

- Ethics
- Family fun center & bowling
- Better family friendly restaurants
- An Indian restaurant
- An outdoor pool
- A way for families to splash and play in the Willamette
- Multi-use trails through and around town
- Water that people can afford to pay and use
- Housing that is affordable
- A Unitarian church, or just some sort of Buddhist temple or meditative flower garden, some sort of philosophy meeting place where people talk friendly and share ideas
- Trader Joes *
- Homeless shelter
- A video game/classic arcade/anime and manga store for all ages
- A sushi place or bar
- A ballroom & dancing & dances - Yes! I miss swing dancing!
- An Indian restaurant
- A public petting zoo and free animal club. Also kids playhouse with big trampoline. Plus sting ray aquarium!
- No drinking and driving
- Laser tag arena
- A more secular mindset
- My girlfriend
- Better activities for kids
- Bounce house
- Bowling alley
- A Winco, and an Orthodox church
- A vegan restaurant
- Bowling alley, every town needs a bowling alley
- A big fountain – I second this, made for all ages to play in
- More fun things to do
- More exotic pets
- More Digimon awesomeness
- More restaurants
- Video games in every store
- Jamba Juice
- Bike and walking paths
- A tree protection/preservation ordinance
- Trader Joes
- More James Patterson books
- More author visits at the library
- No drugs, more cops
- More candy shops
- No Donald Trump
- More options for gluten sensitive people
- An organic, non-GMO store

- Nearby hiking/walking trails
- A pool table that isn't in a bar or youth center requiring limited age
- A park with a walking path and a pond
- Stuff way cheaper
- Trader Joes
- Bowling alley
- Bicycle shop
- Bed, Bath & Beyond store
- Arts and crafts
- Sweet Tomatoes restaurant
- An aquarium
- Sports
- A downtown without a highway
- Better parks
- An amusement park
- Big fabric store
- Voodoo donuts
- More community events
- A huge struple (sic) garden with a koi pond
- Canoe/boat/kayak rental on the river
- Taylor Swift (more music)
- LeBron James
- A play & sit store
- We need more bird feeders
- More walking paths – Yes! I second this
- More good restaurants
- Swimming pool
- Safe bike paths out to “wine country”/rural – I second this!
- Gluten free restaurant
- A garden store so you don't have to drive all the way to Al's Garden Center
- More street lights
- More places to go
- Too much traffic
- Art supply store
- Needs more trending restaurants
- The bakery needs donuts
- Artist studios
- Holy spirit
- A walking path through the canyon that runs through the community
- A bowling alley
- Fewer signs on 99
- Nothing!
- Bypass
- Shops on the main streets – shoes, etc.

Other Responses

- Trader Joes and Panera Bread
- My husband and I recently moved to Newberg. One of the things we see as missing is an exercise facility for senior citizens. We formerly used the Elsie Stuhr facility in Beaverton. It was wonderful and always busy. With the aging population, combining a senior gym with the senior center would be a big plus. The Newberg Senior Center was a big disappointment to us. No exercise equipment. Very little participation in anything. Elsie Stuhr is booming and a great example of what a senior center could be. I suggest Newberg officials visit and consider such a place for Newberg. We are also disappointed in your recreation center and joined the Y in Sherwood as an alternative.
- I've always wondered why the farmer's market is so depressingly threadbare (it might be better not to have at all; the brand is pretty run-down now). Maybe the locals are too committed to growing their own to patronize a farmer's market, but Newberg seems like a natural for fresh foods and handmade products. Perhaps a farmers market could be timed for a weekend to attract tourists and picnickers?

Question #3: What sort of things should the city be working on to make Newberg a great place to live?

Facebook Responses

- A family bowling alley, like Big Al's. Teens need a safe, fun place to hang out! Keeps them from being bored and causing trouble! And a boost for employment - Good idea!!
- We just had this post last week I think LOL
I posted a pic of the Wilsonville Bowling Alley I was at when I seen the post and said Bowling Alley and arcade so kids have something to do in our great town. Plus I love to buy local and we go bowling all the time :-)
- More police presence so crime doesn't increase.
- Removing the potholes by repaving the roads not just filling them in.
A sidewalk all the way on Mountain View
- More indoor places to play for kids. Safari SAMs or play date pdx style.
- Closing off some streets and having stores, tents or carts. Find ways to get more small businesses up and running without expense of a 3 year lease
- More running/walking trails!!!
- Accessible parks - all parks with features for children and families with a variety of abilities to safely enjoy.
- Better planning. It seems the focus is on high density neighborhoods but I think there is a huge value and increased livability to neighborhoods that are lower density. Walking and running trails that connect the town would be great. I have also noticed that several areas are very poorly maintained by the city. For example, the sidewalk area that runs along College St. (especially between Mountainview and Foothills) There are times that there are weeds and debris that prevent it from being usable, especially by someone who might have a handicap.
- Yes, definitely improving sidewalks and walking in general

Poster Responses

- Benches along the sidewalks of the business area (for seniors to rest)
- No marijuana sales in Newberg – please
- Repair (or require homeowners to) broken sidewalks. Walking in Newberg can be hazardous!
- Plan trees! Replace trees that have been removed!
- Preserve historic sidewalks (at least the marks that tell who laid them & dates if they exist)
- Bike repair/rental
- Yes, bike rental!
- More pedestrian friendly everything
- Flashing crosswalk indicators both on the road and suspended for motorists
- Pedestrian sky bridges over the highway
- Road repairs
- Quarterly parades
- No more traffic
- No open container restriction in downtown

- Be nice
- Gluten free restaurant
- Community involvement and events = lavender festival! Get involved...
- Exercise facility for senior citizens
- Free library cards for rural residents – Yes! – I third this
- Seasonal outdoor pool (like Carlton)
- The teens and children need a place to go
- Bike lanes on heavy traffic roads – Yes! – Ditto
- Fix the roads!
- Fix the sidewalks – encourage walking
- Adult soccer league
- Kobe
- Pokemon Go leagues
- More good downtown walking areas, more green and flowers, tranquil outdoor dining
- Complete specialized training for police – non lethal means of subdued and de-escalation
- Thanks for listening to us Newberg citizens 😊
- Less drugs and more civil police
- Bigger bakery
- A new park
- Keep sidewalks clean on First and Hancock streets – pressure washing?
- Focus on pedestrian & bikeways: Make N Main Street a safe place for walkers/cyclists from north Newberg – Agree!
- Encourage downtown businesses to be less real estate/insurance and more places people like to visit by foot: retail, markets, gallery, museum, clothes stores, etc.
- Get rid of the highway in the downtown
- A Whole Foods or New Seasons
- More game stores – Yes! – I agree – Biggest arcade place!
- A Costco would be great
- Bicycle shop – Yes! – Yes!
- (fewer) less drugs – I agree – Yes
- Goodbye to the marijuana shops
- Sweet Tomatoes
- More coffee shops
- A bowling alley
- A Trader Joes would be great too - Yes
- Sidewalks
- Sidewalks from Mountainview to Illinois St and along Main – Yes
- Affordable housing, more housing
- More candy shops
- Educate and train police and first responders in non-lethal forms of protecting our community #blacklivesmatter – Yes
- Trailhead CU
- Downtown area
- Quit putting “fees” on our water bills
- A bike and sidewalk on Mountainview by the creek and Adec
- Repave Springbrook by Aquarius – Yes!

- More sidewalks! Make south side walkable
- More street trees – through Friends of Trees or another program
- Get more restaurants downtown and anywhere – allow them to have outside seating

Other Responses

- Complete the by-pass.
- Remove development hurdles, don't require inane approval conditions, don't waste

Question #4: What are your favorite elements of your favorite cities/towns?

Facebook Responses

- Parks with trails for biking, running, walking, whatever. Greenway Park in Beaverton is a good example.
- //ghfountain.com/
- Lots of trees and native plants. Wide sidewalks in excellent condition. Town square/unifying/gathering place with a water feature for children to play in. Signage to parks and family friendly/inter-generational activities. Plenty of mid-priced restaurant choices. Safely walkable.

Poster Responses

- Need sporting goods store!
- Unique shops
- Coffee shops
- Need bowling alley
- People walking & biking
- Community gardens
- Ice cream shops – Newberg needs one downtown
- Parks & sidewalks
- Donut shop
- Beautiful walking trails
- Clean, inviting parks
- Buffalo Museum in ND
- George Fox University & college students
- Salmon & trout
- Shops within walking distance for elders
- Public transportation available, accessible
- The people
- Bicycle paths
- Safe (so far)
- Vibrant downtown
- Schools
- Pride of ownership
- Community events
- Public art
- Art and good pet stores
- Better dog parks!
- Water features
- Libraries
- Summer concert series
- Public art
- Availability of nature
- The people

- Small shops and art
- “small town” feel
- Walkable & safe (Whistler, Black Comb, BC)
- Ambiance
- Newberg – friendliness and old town values
- Landmarks
- Open spaces/gardens open to the public
- A good diner where you can get breakfast with eggs
- Public gathering area “living room”
- Newberg library 100%
- Local stores
- Newberg has an awesome library
- Ogunquitt, MA
- San Diego, CA (lovely climate)
- Portland
- A Powell’s Store
- Trail system like in Bellingham, WA
- Newberg is a compassionate & giving community, “it’s like in Cheers, everyone knows everybody, everyone knows your name!”
- San Francisco, CA – panoramic views
- Beautiful public spaces for all types of people to gather and have fun
- San Clemente, CA – between San Diego and Anaheim, Wow!
- Friendliness
- Newberg has the sense of kindness and the people power that sense with their jobs. That and Newberg has all of dem homies
- Funky vibe and community
- Nature so I can smoke weed
- Outdoor dining
- Hiking trails
- Car free downtowns – pedestrian friendly
- The interesting people
- Free parking
- Lots of trees and flowers

Other Responses

- Walkable evening activities, vibrant businesses clustered together, people watching

Question #5: What are Newberg's best opportunities for the future?

Facebook Responses

- Development of the old mill site to a regional shopping/recreation/tourist center that will provide local jobs, draw visitors, and provide activities for residents
- Housing and schools for growing Portland area tech sector. Tourism.
- I agree with development along the river!

Poster Responses

- Downtown advancement – sidewalk seating, restaurants, things to see & do, no truck traffic, “cute” factor
- Artist studios and residency homes
- Public art
- Add affordable housing
- Maintaining the “community” feel and growing with the intention of weaving that into the growth plan
- Public art
- Wing invention
- Maybe don't take 2 lanes off the highway
- More for gamers
- Something fun/active for teenagers to do
- Stay family friendly
- A movie theater
- A stocked fishing pond
- Tourism
- Downtown improvement
- Arts
- “no littering” signs at Roger's Landing
- Bigger, funner playground
- A place where kids (teens+) can hang out – play music, dance – like an old-fashioned drug store (like College Drug used to be)
- More baby animals
- No more human babies
- A bowling alley
- Comic-con
- Labor Ready
- Old Fashioned Festival
- Something fun/active for teens
- More collaboration between GFU and community (classes, music, theater, arts, etc)
- Bowling alley
- Less dependence on cars
- Develop the area next to the river – make a “river walk”
- Doula circle

- Immortality pills
- Growth for the younger community – recreation
- Tunes on Tuesday
- A fun place for teens to hang out and have fun
- Bigger farmers market
- More shopping areas
- Light rail to Portland
- A dog festival to celebrate what they do for us
- Longer Old Fashioned Festival, more books, a Nintendo activity or something, horse carriage rides, real live pokemon
- Money
- Water
- Food

Other Responses

- Wine Country reputation
- Nurture/grow existing strengths

Question #6: What are the weaknesses of the Newberg community?

Facebook Responses

- Brain drain/commuter community for Portland Metro area. Not enough higher wage jobs. Poor transportation system for those that can't/don't drive. Lacking certain medical specialty care.

Poster Responses

- Bowling alley
- Arby's – Yes, I agree
- Not enough rare pokemon
- Not enough pixels
- Bowling alley
- Ridiculously expensive water, can't afford to use
- Not enough walking trails, bike trails/lanes – Yes – My thought exactly – Yes, let's be pedestrian & cyclist friendly, build safe trails
- A candy store
- Doughnut shop
- Trader Joe's – Ditto
- Better game store & comic book store
- Sidewalks – no cut-outs or bad spots that make it hard to ride bikes, etc, on them
- Stores for fandom merch
- Drugs
- Tell the city to stop cutting down all the trees – Yes, stop the mentality of “first step, cut all the trees.” Trees are a community asset!
- Better transportation system
- A fro-yo shop
- We don't need a donut shop
- Bowling alley
- We need more diversity – Yes!
- We need more rare pokemon
- Police who don't respond, only charge on water bill for it
- We need more funding for our wonderful community. Go Newberg! Like Fish, Love Inc., etc
- We need gaming merch
- Emergency rental assistance
- People being social
- Bowling alley
- Social housing – No
- Would be nice if we had homeless housing for both genders
- Not pedestrian friendly
- Downtown traffic
- Bagel shop
- Not enough “affordable” housing

- Littering in natural zones (Roger's Landing)
- Lack of dancing
- Spreading information about events and community activities
- This sign
- People who write stuff like "this sign"
- Racism
- Isolating us/them attitudes/activities
- Non-inclusive attitudes
- Donald Trump – reading comprehension
- Lacks sidewalks for walking places (south side)
- Heavy traffic on First & Hancock – need the full bypass!
- Instant mall downtown, get traffic onto 2nd, cover area, roofing about two stories
- The city or Waste Management should do curbside collection of leaves for no charge
- 8th Street between River & Edwards Elementary needs paving
- Post office location/parking
- Management!
- All 99W needs no parking
- No sidewalk, very unsafe
- Speed signs
- Poor walkways around town
- Lack of sidewalks in some of main living areas
- Roads are in need of repair
- Bad sidewalks
- Bus shelters within easy reach
- Buses to nearby towns with reliable times
- Need of a community events calendar
- Sidewalks in poor repair – hazardous; shrubbery obstructing sidewalks; where is code enforcement?
- Lack of street trees
- Railroad tracks need repair
- Need a sign code, especially for stick in the ground banners
- Lack of ability to embrace change
- Lack of a good outdoor beer drinking place
- We need a Whole Foods or New Seasons to attract more people to Newberg – so we can be like South Park?
- George Fox needs to lower their costs so lower income people can afford to go there. Great school but needs lower costs.
- They need to also quit buying up valuable farmland and quit building more apartments, houses, and condos. Need to protect valuable farmland. Keep Newberg at a smaller population.
- We need "No Littering. Respect the Land" signs at Roger's Landing and walking trails
- Farmer's Market should not require vendors to have canopies, as they are expensive and deter lower-income artists from participating, which in turn keeps them from making money off their craft! – Preach!
- No good breakfast place

Other Responses

- A stable city leadership which would enhance financial security, a positive work environment, and a culture of accountability.
- Development impediments, road care, lack of vibrant retail businesses

Question #7: What are the strengths of the Newberg community?

Facebook Responses

- The people here are generally honest, hardworking and care about their neighbors. City leaders genuinely care.
- Not being part of Portland
- People are friendly

Poster Responses

- Our leaders – Mayor
- George Fox University
- Friendsview Apartment Home
- Friendly folk
- Lovely trees and gardens
- Good schools
- Christian schools
- History
- There are some real caring people who want to be a part of positive change
- Great cultural center!
- Vibrant & involved younger business people
- An answer to the drug plague that is out of control
- Families
- Great location
- Parks are the strength
- The arts
- The community really cares about how Newberg flourishes and grows and is strategic about the future
- Grace Baptist Church
- Bowling alley
- Sunday D+D
- The library
- Friendly
- Faith
- Friendly
- Frack Burger
- We love the library
- 99 lbs buffet
- Cancun Mexican restaurant
- Not as painfully far from pdx as McMinnville
- The people

Other Responses

- Volunteerism, small town close to large city, GFU, CPRD, good police & fire service

Question #8: The city can best prepare for future growth by...

Facebook Responses

- Encouraging ample numbers of affordable "starter homes" for first time buyers that are competing with an increasing number of older people who are downsizing.
- Making quicker decisions on road improvements

Poster Responses

- Fixing broken sidewalks and potholes – Yes!
- Fund bypass phases II & III asap
- Improving sidewalks
- “anything”
- Making sure all voices are heard, especially those least likely to speak up
- Protecting renters from rent increases
- Promoting and supporting small private businesses
- Low income housing
- Develop downtown wine/tourist district
- Having a bowling alley – Seconded – Much yes
- Allowing more businesses to move in w/o the large amount of red tape
- Put a cap on rental prices. \$1100 or more for a 2bdrm is more than a mortgage for the same home
- Parks and paths and bike lanes, oh my! (dog parks too)
- More pet stores to keep people happy
- Coffee shop with donuts
- Taking pedestrians and bike riders into account
- Stop turning our backs on the Willamette River. Follow examples of Bend and Hood River.
- Erasing food deserts
- Sweet Tomatoes restaurant
- Selling city owned homes at or lower than market value to relieve and reduce city costs
- Bicycle shop
- Trampoline place
- We don't need new things, we just need to properly maintain what we got
- Creating parks, trails & green spaces
- Having amenities/things to do (e.g. bowling alley) commensurate with a town this size (see Sherwood)
- Ice cream shop
- Allow big stores and companies in Newberg, like Trader Joes, etc
- Annex as much as possible (businesses have to plan ahead, unlike Newberg)

Other Responses

- Limiting urban growth and require developers to include open space and trails to maintain the rural, small town feel!
- Provide for a varied size, value, type of housing, institutional, commercial and industrial properties. Make development easier, by avoiding people having to cycle through multiple departments at the City

before their desire uses are approved. Lastly, when expanding the UGB/URA, engage in multiple small applications that identify properties in every category to bring into the desired boundary/area, before bringing in high value farm land.

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Question #9: Why do you leave Newberg and go to other cities?

Facebook Responses

- I don't really.
- Work, entertainment, non grocery related shopping
- Target and Winco, JoAnns, Michael's or any type of hobby stores, Fast food options that are a little higher end than McDonalds, Wendy's etc. (Panera, MOD).
- Target & Preschool.
- Work, restaurants, shopping.
- Work, mostly.
- To work or to look for work
- Because I like living in a small town and would rather shop big stores and deal with traffic somewhere else.
- To seek employment and purchase goods that aren't available locally.
- The cost of living is much higher compared to other cities and less homes for rent.
- Living wage jobs, shopping and entertainment.
- Costco, Trader Joes, Good Food that is family friendly and at a reasonable price, FAMILY BIKE TRAILS!!!!
- Employment and entertainment
- More options for shopping besides FM....Trader's, etc. etc.
- places to run, hike, bike and Have fun outdoors
- shopping and entertainment
- For work and to visit family
- Affordable housing
- bowling alley
- More variety in dining; Costco; shop for clothing; more movie options (though we do love the Cameo & drive-in!); Home Depot; Panera; Noodles & Co.
- I heard there is a Costco coming to McMinnville!
- I hope that's true! That way they get all the traffic that comes with it...ha!
- So agree with the above comment, yes, yes.....
- entertainment, shopping- especially specialty food and clothes
- entertainment, shopping and food variety
- I leave town for shopping for variety gifts in cool shops, Winco, something fun to do or see like mini golf, the beach and really good restaurants for special occasions
- Mostly household items Fred Meyers doesn't have or cheaper
- Costco, Winco, farmers market on weekend. Target, Good Pizza, Bowling, shoe stores, teen stores like Justice for girls etc. Nike,
- Outdoor activities (walking trails) and entertainment (especially in the evening.
- To find awesome outdoor adventures that Newberg doesn't have easy access to.
- To shop at Costco, Trader Joe's, Winco. I agree about Farmer's Market needing to be bigger, more varied and at least open until 7 unless it's on the weekend.
- Yes farmer market hours are very inconvenient for working people
- better dining, restaurants, Costco, bike paths

- To go shopping and for better choice of eating out. nothing here other than Freddy
- I go out of town for Costco, breakfast and dinner.
- I leave Newberg to spend money: clothes, food, dining and entertainment (not how it should be but how much bbq and mex food can one person deal with).
- working to bring money back to our community
- Shopping and dining are the two main reasons I leave Newberg.
- We leave Newberg for entertainment, shopping, and a wider selection of restaurants. Fred Meyer is great, but it doesn't meet all of our needs. Newberg has too much fast food and not enough fast casual.
- Better shopping, dining and cultural opportunities; larger parks, with some extended walking trails
- Ross Dress for Less, Winco, Chiropractor, Walmart, and family.
- #1 - For better restaurant selection. Clothes shopping. Fabric shopping. Work (me in years past, husband always). Pick up people from airport, train station or Bolt Bus. Entertainment. Recreation.

Poster Responses

- To go to Costco
- To go to New Seasons, Costco, and good Italian restaurants
- Winco, restaurants, fun stuff to do
- Allergies
- I don't. I love Newberg
- Are there other cities?
- I'm a GFU Bruin and an Oregon Duck – a Quaker Quacker!
- If the Lord leads
- More restaurants
- Because change is never a bad thing! And other opportunities!
- Eugene, home of the Ducks! Go Ducks
- Go Beavers
- Move near sons who will be taking care of me
- For my education opportunities that Newberg can't give, or the adventure and meaning to life, as other places could; I want to defy gravity, not be held down by it anymore
- Only one movie theater
- No art store (supplies)
- Can't afford to live here
- To eat out – Yes! More variety of restaurants
- To explore new opportunities such as careers and lifestyles
- Chemistry school
- Get out of same town as ex and his girlfriend
- To see public art
- Primarily for cultural events
- To go to church
- Church
- Conferences
- Why would you?
- Too many churches
- To hang out with friends
- Allergies from tilling
- Work

- Expensive H2O
- Costco
- The YMCA and health care
- I want better LGBT resources – Yes! – Me too!
- Work
- For ice skating rinks
- Powell’s Books
- To attending the Center for Spiritual Living in Lake Oswego
- To go to quaint outdoor cafes
- Church & vacation
- A “bricks and minifigs”
- To do anything remotely fun – Newberg’s crying out for stuff to do – We got a drive-in
- Work unfortunately
- For more opportunities
- To remember how great Newberg is
- Work, movies, shopping, long walk, eat out
- Because Newberg isn’t a fun city by itself
- To work. Not a lot of professional jobs in town
- Harry Potter Land
- It’s beautiful and friendly here (escapee from Portland)
- Shoe & clothes shopping
- For fun and vacation
- Work, shopping, restaurants
- Omsi
- Mountain bike trails – Yes
- It’s not like vacation is here
- Groceries
- How about an enclosed area on a park-including a pool table, little arcade featuring a bowling alley let’s name it: Awesome For All
- Hair cut
- See family
- It’s boring
- Trader Joe’s – Yes
- Get away
- Health care
- Indian Food
- Church
- For new multi-cultural experiences
- Mudpuddles
- Zoo
- Bowling alley
- Shopping
- Too many poorly cared for homes with cars parked on the street
- School
- To shop at Bridgeport
- To grow up

- Parole visits
- To buy labradoodles
- Laser tag
- To go to a large air conditioned movie theater that has \$5 days, go to the doctor, the mall, other restaurants, and bowling. Thanks!
- Trader Joes
- To bowl
- To shop at a toy store
- Go to the doctor (OHSU)
- Housing (YCAP)
- The beach
- Skate board shop
- To get out, duh!
- Diversity
- My home is in Dundee
- The mall
- Work
- Camp
- To go the beach
- Because the Lord asks me if I will go
- Bigger cities, more stuff to do
- Need children/teen activities on other side of Hwy 219
- Cause I don't drink wine
- I thought this was a riddle
- Job
- Night life
- To sit outside and have dinner. Outside dining!
- All my friends live out of town
- Work, sadly
- For my job
- Bowling
- The beach
- Lower rent
- I am not sure I want to leave

Other Responses

- I live outside of Dundee. I do work in the other communities, I shop at Costco, Target, and the mall (because I have daughters), I attend concerts and other things, but the largest draw to other areas is outside.

Question #10: In 10 years, Newberg should have the following changes...

Facebook Responses

- Free library cards for people inside the zip code of Newberg regardless of where your property line lies.
- 1)Wider pedestrian walkways downtown; 2)preserve historic look with cohesive design; 3)dedicated walking and biking paths and routes with good lighting and barriers between them and car lanes; 4)incentives for downtown businesses to stay open and attracting more varieties of businesses into downtown; 5)creating a business incubator with incentives for companies who consent to stay in town and provide well-paying jobs with benefits; 6)a program to transition the city towards green certification; 7)a more developed river walk with lighting, services, broader park facilities and access for non motorized river trail crafts; 8)small commercial ferry service to other towns along the river; 9)a light rail route to the coast and to Hillsboro with stop/station in Newberg; 10) an OSU or OU or PSU extension campus in our town.
- A Trader Joe's!!!
- Costco!
- tourism taxes benefit citizen infrastructure
- Cornerstone Coffee. Hopefully more reasonable water bills.
- public transit
- I hope that we can have bike trails interconnecting all sections of town, with more scenic areas along the water. Continue to build our children's education, with smaller class sizes, and possibly more schools.
- YES. This town would be perfect for more ped/cycle traffic bc we have an active older community as well as a university, plus a close in downtown with a wealth of artsy stuff and parks. However, the town is so car oriented riding is harrowing, and walking is often not possible. The quality of life in a community is in our public spaces. Let our community encourage healthy habits/choices for life.
- More variety in our SOC groups (e.g. business and financial occupations, legal occupations, computer occupations, etc.); I love the bike trails idea, too
- Shared spaces for small business and policies that help them grow
- bike, hiking trails to connect Dundee and Newberg, public transit
- A splash park, end to end bike/walking trails, and maybe a citizen discount at Fred Meyer
- Don't we have a splash park?
- If we do I don't know about it lol
- <http://www.cprdnewberg.org/general/page/splashpad>
- Ok yes I knew about that. I was referring to more of a park like feature. Not just a cement pad with sprayers



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- More like this

- YES. One that doesn't have concrete.
- Traffic
- bowling alley
- Bike trails. Maybe a second swimming pool. A farmers market on Saturday instead of a weekday.
- Want lower taxes!!! Stop adding to the already high property tax. Get citizen involvement to raise money instead of adding to the tax base and to the water bill. The high cost is going to drive me away!!
- People will need to stop voting for things that add to our property taxes then!
- options for entertainment and for shopping- lol
- family friendly entertainment
- In 10 yrs Newberg should have more family activities to do, a good hangout for youth. Bus service with more visible/w bench & bus schedules posted. Some kinds of restaurants that serve something other than Chinese, Mexican, & fast food. Maybe the city could connect with the high school art students, or artist and have more buildings painted with murals like at Dominoes. I would love that. Oh...and Better 4way on Springbrook/Haworth.
- A good hangout place for youth for sure, a food truck place like they have in Happy Valley where you can go and get your food but eat inside and totally agree about Saturday/Sunday Farmers Market. Sometimes we don't even get home from work until 6.
- Oh...also a place for the walkers & bicyclist to ride bikes that aren't on Mountainview at the dip...sometimes so dangerous!
- I agree to these ideas for sure
- More activities for families and the local community.
- a little more concern for citizens over tourism
- how about a run of time with city officials getting along without scandals
- Have clean, accessible bike, walking, running trails that connect all areas of the city. A large waterfront park, a downtown area where there isn't 6 lanes of heavy traffic passing through, a new seasons or whole foods and a farmer's market on Saturday. Additionally mass transit that gets work commuters from Yamhill to Portland in 20 minutes. (see hyper loop)
- better dining Costco and more bike trails other than the streets
- Affordable housing and rentals.
- Am I the ONLY one who does NOT want a Costco? Please have more local businesses and fewer chains. Local businesses are what give towns their uniqueness.
- I don't shop there...but was just at Costco the other day and I really wasn't impressed... They have limited variety, you have to buy a ton at once and it really isn't all that much cheaper. Good deals on gift card packs tho. I don't like how you have to get your cart thoroughly examined for stolen items on your way out the door. No thanks.
- No Costco!
- Better downtown with great little shops and good eating places... (like Leavenworth, WA) do something with the god awful traffic here!
- I've been to Leavenworth lots and never found a good meal
- Cheaper water and housing.
- In ten yrs Newberg should have finished phase three of bypass lunacy, closed off downtown enough to make it walking friendly (like Mac) made the dog park something other than a pitbull/drug fest and made Rogers landing an actual park.
- What's wrong with pit bulls...
- Here we go...
- Lol

- They will serve them at the new taco bell
- In 10 years, Newberg should have the following changes... a cute walkable downtown with heavy consideration for ped traffic over cars (but parking avail), businesses that generate interest in being downtown... like Social Goods and other businesses that support community and general interest of insiders as well as visitors (boutique retail and fun interesting shops as opposed to law offices or real estate offices) Ped/cycle access everywhere (particularly roads that connect dt to larger neighborhoods, like those around Crater). Nicer people doing the office work at the city water (although lately I have had 2 good interactions compared with 10 years of frustration) INCREASE lot sizes in zoning, maximum required amount now is 5000 sq ft which means high-density developer friendly housing... what about neighborhoods that don't require car trips for a gallon of milk?
- Cheaper water and housing.
- How about you guys pave the old poor parts of town. Those houses have paid property taxes for decades, yet it looks like a scene out of Mad Max down by the armory and mill. It's not your job to plan the economy. It's your job to do what we pay you for - roads, police, water, fire etc. After that, maybe if you stay the hell out of the private sector people my age can stand a chance to live in a town that is not designed by the same people who take 6 months to fix Springbrook!
- Newberg desperately needs a local joint that provides an activity. To be sustainable, it should to attract people outside of Newberg also. Sherwood has an ice rink (which is a bustling facility these days!), many surrounding cities have a bowling alley, Wilsonville has Bullwinkle's. In my opinion a roller rink would fill a need left by the closure of Skate World in Hillsboro, which closed because their lease was up, NOT because business was down. We need a large multi-purpose park. Jaquith may have served that need when Newberg was 15,000 people, but the city has grown and the parks need to grow with it. Large multipurpose parks, such as Memorial Park in Wilsonville or Cook Park in Tigard have plenty of space to host birthday parties and other large gatherings. Also, we have plenty of rec softball and baseballs fields for our youth club teams, why not get a rec football and soccer field also? The high school turf field is wonderful, but realistically speaking can only be used during the summer for youth club teams. Joe Dancer Park in Mac is a great example of a large multipurpose park with a number of rec sports fields. Newberg needs that, maybe more than anything else.
- Love it
- After living here just over a year, still missing Trader Joes & 24 hour fitness.
- I want more info in the future Waterfront development? What to expect Commerce? Parks? Trails?
- <https://www.newbergoregon.gov/.../riverfront-master-plan>
- I have tried to read this several times and it wasn't very helpful with what I was looking for. I was hoping more for drawings and models of what to expect. Sorry I am a visual girl.
- Maybe within ten years they will be closer to owning the property and detailing the plans
- Gross over-pricing of the water/sewer bill and unrestrained price increases over the last 8+ years are driving us away from Newberg. Newberg has the highest water bill of any city in a 20 mile radius.
- Echoing the statement of others that housing is too expensive also - though this is not unique to Newberg. We are moving out of state to find better housing and be closer to family that lives out of state. It would have been easier to stay here if land was more affordable.
- Cheaper water electric and housing
- Alternative transportation options: Extended designated biking/walking trails not just for getting around town but extending to nearby communities; better public transportation connected to Metro and Yamhill County
- Although this should be more immediate...more affordable housing for students!! I mean we live in a college town with both George Fox and PCC students and there isn't a decent affordable option in town!
- Bike paths, parks...

Poster Responses

- New City Council
- New Mayor?
- Fix the potholes
- Trail along Hess Creek from north to south past golf course
- Actually we are very fortunate to live in Newberg
- Get a New Seasons to move here
- Also a Trader Joe's! And Panda Express
- And a great steakhouse
- A fully completed Cultural Center renovation
- A community "make space"
- Artist studios
- More diversity please! – Agreed!
- A dance club
- Less fear of people who are different, more appreciation for the variety of values – made possible via compassion and thru education! – Yes!
- Public art
- Autism center with art and music and theater
- Brew pub with wood fired pizzas and beer and kids area
- Bowling
- Trader Joe's
- More affordable housing
- Italian restaurant
- An arcade
- Art supply store
- Gourmet donut shop
- Wood fired pizza by the slice and homemade root beer
- Another high school
- Waterfront development at site of former paper mill
- More colorful population
- Downtown brewpub
- More downtown housing
- More pedestrian friendly streets
- Parking for the farmers market
- Fewer surface parking lots, more new buildings
- Outside restaurants everywhere downtown
- Stop "nickel & diming" the citizens
- Affordable housing
- Make it a nice town again
- This town sucks
- Lower H2O rates
- More small business
- Completed pool
- Lower tax rate
- More love

- Better bus stops with seating and bus schedule posted
- Bike and running trails
- Bike lanes
- Affordable housing
- Women's shelter
- Men's shelter
- Bike trails
- Off-street bike/pedestrian lane
- Dual recycling disposal containers downtown and in parks: 1) garbage, 2) redeemable cans/bottles, 3) plastic cups
- Flexible zoning/setbacks to allow: higher buildings in downtown core; smaller tiny houses, 200-800 square feet, we have no place for smaller dwelling units but have lots of singles or couples of all ages that want to downsize.
- Street level commercial with residential on upper level
- Allow food carts and food cart pods including park across street from city hall
- Lawn furniture in area across from city hall using concrete blocks, pavers, etc
- 90% recycling of our current garbage
- Have a "town square" where the needy can come upon day's end where the community can come to take them home for shelter to their homes
- Solar design for all new construction and solar water heaters
- Olive Garden restaurant
- Less dispensaries – Amen!
- More book stores
- McMenamins
- Legalize updog (?)
- Good restaurants
- Keep the weirdos out of Newberg
- Free pizza night
- People should be nice to other people regardless of race, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation. Accept everyone.
- No illegals employed. No Republicans employing them.
- Que Paso? Gracias Jesus!
- Some awesome shops
- A circus juggler to escort everyone to their locations, juggling flaming books, it's a metaphor
- More doctors – GPs and pediatricians
- Fewer cars on First Street
- Sidewalks on College and Villa, also on Mountainview (between Villa and A-dec)
- Seafood restaurant
- Lower speed limits
- Horses should cost less! Some people love horses and want to have one but can't afford them!
- Need a 7-11
- Harambe
- More places where kids can learn and create
- Put a pause on new home construction, I don't want to see our beautiful fields & vineyards disappear – Totally agree x 2!
- No dispensaries

- More rare species protection
- No churches
- That George Fox University wouldn't discriminate against the LGBTQ community – Wrong! The Bible condemns such behavior
- Toy store
- Water that people can afford to use. No police fees on the bill
- Lower water bills
- Stop buying up valuable farmland and stop building condos and apartments; we don't need to be a city of 25,000-50,000; protect farmland!
- More good (not horribly expensive) restaurants
- A bowling alley
- No more wine shops, there are too many now
- Less pollution! More natural energy items

Other Responses

- Limited growth and maintenance of rural atmosphere/small town feel.