

Elgin Community Betterment survey

We need your input! The ECB is asking for your ideas as it moves forward to improve and develop the community of Elgin. Please complete this survey with helpful ideas that the ECB can put into action. Upon completion, return to one of three locations: the water bill drop-off slot at the Elgin Community Center, at a drop box at First International Bank and Trust or at a drop box at R Family Market.

Deadline: Friday, Sept. 13.

Your age:

Please rate each as:

Good (needs no improvement)
Satisfactory (needs a little improvement)
Poor (needs a lot of improvement)
No opinion

1. The general appearance of the downtown area:	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No opinion
2. The general appearance of the community of Elgin:	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No opinion
3. The adequacy of products/services available in Elgin:	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No opinion
4. Availability of recreation/leisure activities:	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No opinion
5. Job availability:	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No opinion
6. Quality of jobs:	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No opinion
7. Quality of housing:	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No opinion
8. Availability of housing:	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No opinion
9. Safety of the community:	Good	Satisfactory	Poor	No opinion

Please answer the following:

Regarding the business community:

What do you like most about the business community of Elgin?

How could the business community of Elgin be improved?

Are there products/services you believe could/should be added?

What types of business would you like to see added to Elgin?

How often in a month do you shop outside of the Elgin area? If more than once a month, what types of products/services are you purchasing outside of Elgin?

Regarding the appearance of Elgin:

How do you think the community of Elgin's appearance could be improved?

What areas need improvement?

Regarding the city of Elgin:

Are there city services you believe could/should be improved upon or added?

Regarding recreational/leisure activities in Elgin:

Do you use the golf course?

Do you use the swimming pool?

Do you utilize Lake Tschida?

Do you utilize Sheep Creek Dam Recreation Area?
Do you utilize the city park?
Do you utilize the baseball diamonds?
Do you attend school events regularly?
Would you be interested in joining an activity club specific to senior citizens?
What other recreational/leisure activities could/should be added to improve Elgin?

Regarding the safety of the community:
How could the safety of Elgin be improved?

Would you support additional funding for law enforcement?

Regarding volunteerism in the community:
How many, if any, community organizations do you belong to?

Would you be interested in volunteering for your community in any way?

If so, what would be the best method to engage you?

How can community organizations improve their methods of recruitment of volunteers?

What three things do you like most about the community of Elgin?

What three things would you like to change about your community? (Please be specific and try to state ideas that are attainable.)

List five things you believe could honestly be accomplished to improve the community of Elgin.

What actions could be taken to keep young people in the community or to attract young families?