

## **Where are we now? Values**

### **Fair Park Senior Center, August 20, 2015**

Sectionalized community

Lack of transparency

Police Department is polite & helpful

Workers (public) very aware-work in inclement weather

Older generation has good family values; not passed to younger generation

Neighborly influence good

Churches are helpful

Strong law enforcement

Low family influence

Family values dropped

Living together without being married

Lack of respect

Parents aren't around much

Not friendly

"ME" only

## **Where are we now? Workforce**

### **Fair Park Senior Center, August 20, 2015**

Jobs are stagnant

There is a lack of jobs

Lack of mentoring

Lack of work force creative training

Insufficient career jobs with living wages

Lack of opportunities for minorities

We have a work force problem

Job placement centers have too much negative control on work force

Job placement does not support meaningful work

Need higher pay for law enforcement

Not enough jobs

Factories leaving

People retire here but families can't move with them because no jobs are available

Rising crime

Police department working hard to clean community up

Two good high schools

Career Center good asset, gives advice, answers questions

Need higher minimum wage to survive

Need more jobs

Higher pay/jobs for Americans

People don't care/feel self-entitled

Low wages

Population growing but school system not keeping up with facilities

Not sure if it's worth it to have more industry because we can't keep up with necessary facilities

Need more industry

## **Where are we now? Social**

### **Fair Park Senior Center, August 20, 2015**

Need Veterans' Administration represented here

We have a problem with emergency services

Need a more pro active criminal justice system

We need a Judge that doesn't drink all night then judge DUIs

Need more law enforcement in the retirement communities

Safety of people is compromised by relying on private safety officers

We need to take into consideration more safety concerns in urban planning (sidewalks, bike paths)

Need public transportation system

Need more youth activities supervised by adults

City & County should be more supportive of the Senior Center

Lack of Code Enforcement

Senior Center is home away from home

Senior Center valuable asset to community

Churches provide activities for families

Need more information on how to obtain home health care

Need doctor's offices to be open on weekends

Certain areas of town are more prone to drug/crime activities

Walmart doesn't feel safe at night

Like the dog park

City Park is improving and that's appreciated

Families need to take care/raise their kids

Both parents having to work

More freedom and ability to express religion

More programs & space for seniors

More programs relating to domestic violence

Bad drug addiction problem

Not enough space/facilities/transportation for seniors

Need more restaurants

More shopping opportunities

Need public transportation

If you don't have a car, very limited

Transportation to airport is an issue

Need more medical specialists locally

Insurance plans limit doctors they are able to see so have to go out of town

Need for more outdoor activities

Need aquatic facility/YMCA

Centennial Park has a lot to offer

There are a lot of programs for addiction

Addiction leads to burglary

Senior Citizens not directly affected by drug abuse or domestic violence

Willing to pay membership for YMCA-type facility

Need for a Senior Citizen Housing Development, not assisted living but a senior community

Need tennis courts, basketball courts, pickle ball courts

Need to make town more inviting

Need a resource guide for senior housing

Need a tax to support senior citizens

**Where are we now? Cultural**

**Fair Park Senior Center, August 20, 2015**

Lack of communication between the government and the people

Theatre, library are great assets

Senior Center provides entertainment

Best library-offers varied classes, free classes

Lack of good, clean restaurants

Low family morals & family expectations

Changed over the years for the better

There are a lot of activities offered at night, but not a lot of senior citizens cannot attend because they don't drive at night

## **Where are we going? Values**

### **Fair Park Senior Center, August 20, 2015**

Stuck in a rut

Satisfied with community

Not building relationships

Kids have higher influence on parents

Lack of community involvement/participation

Churches have lost direction/focus (God is in the back seat)

Going down

Future doesn't look good

## **Where are we going? Workforce**

### **Pine View, August 20, 2015**

If we don't invest more in education, there's nothing in our future

Not going anywhere because we aren't ready

County not prepared for industry

Success of Plateau Partnership Park will take cooperation from all 3 counties, State of Tennessee, and TVA

Education could attract industry if funded properly

Hard for kids to go out and get job-need education but need jobs too

Not teaching work ethic

Electronics relied upon to do math-not learning the process

Employers need to spend more time training employees

Need more common sense

Not as many jobs, leaving Crossville

## **Where are we going? Social**

### **Fair Park Senior Center, August 20, 2015**

Children need more guidance

Kids feel they have upper hand in regards to discipline-call police if parents too harsh

Unavailability of transportation for Senior Center

Want support for seniors to get to the center

Doctor appointments are not available

Need childcare for 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> shifts

Childcare expensive

Hospital needs improvement

Healthcare is bad

People falling through the cracks on have insurance issues

Not moving forward in all facets

Have to have more industry that offers jobs with good benefits

Moving toward bigger town, losing small town atmosphere

**Where are we going? Cultural**

**Fair Park Senior Center, August 20, 2015**

Making progress

Library offers a lot of cultural programs

**Where do we want to be? Values**

**Fair Park Senior Center, August 20, 2015**

Stronger values

Together as a community

Strong religion as a community

Keep core values

Keep heritage

Churches maintain presence

**Where do we want to be? Workforce**

**Fair Park Senior Center, August 20, 2015**

Places for younger kids to get jobs

Better opportunities for college graduates, nobody wants to hire out of college (too much education)

Military personnel need to be able to get a job

More & better paying jobs

Training for seniors (technology, jobs)

More youth interaction with seniors (mentoring), have a lot to offer to community

More growth

## **Where do we want to be? Social**

### **Fair Park Senior Center, August 20, 2015**

More activities for retirees

Larger Senior Center

Community pool-aquatic area for seniors & everyone to use

Physical therapy options for seniors to use in aquatic center

Seniors are retiring younger and are active-would like more opportunities for seniors

Better restaurants (there are enough burger joints)

Decent shopping center

Need clinics on weekends

Improved nursing homes with better care

Assistance with funding for Senior Centers

Adequate transportation for seniors

Better scheduling at doctor's offices for seniors

Need better restaurants

More education for domestic violence/addiction (eradicate it)

Accountability by ALL—individuals, organizations, community

Quality healthcare facilities

More airports with same options as the larger airports

Take care of farmers

**Where do we want to be? Cultural**

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Keep heritage

Higher community expectations (more involvement)