

Where are we now? Values

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Health

Education

Transportation

Protection

Like this lifestyle

Religion

Great retirement community but less to do for young people

Responsibility

Cultural diversity

Kindness

Compassion

Big family influence here

Need to be more church-oriented

Want more family time

Parents & churches teach values

Parents separated

Some parents in jail

25% of families are not supportive

Small town

Not enough houses

Parents busy working

Want more family time

Want more outside activities

Where are we now? Workforce

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Not enough job opportunities

Not enough education enrichment opportunities

Workforce relies on immigration

Workforce exceeds availability of jobs

Lack of work ethics

Good education system

Not a wide range of career opportunities

From students' view, good job availability

Teachers don't encourage career fair enough

Need to recruit new job opportunities

Not enough jobs

A lot of empty buildings

Need bigger schools, too many students in classrooms

Don't feel prepared

Too many fast food jobs

Lack of jobs for youth

Education opportunities available are okay

Where are we now? Social

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Recreational park great but not necessarily safe

TAD Center good but not very big

State Park is really fun & more safe

Lots of drugs at skating rink

Treehouse before it was shut down was fun & great for cultural diversity

Drugs/drunk drivers/underage drinking

Cyberbullying makes it hard to fit in

Hard to be nice

Not enough places to do things

A lack of drug free parks & places

No place to go and be entertained

Too many violent drug issues

A lot of domestic violence

Lack of art museum

Not enough restaurants

Lack of shopping mall

Need a museum

Need better job opportunities

Need better mental health professionals

Boring town-need more activities & recreation

Need more restaurants

Too many used car dealers

Softball at the youth center

Church, band, movies...money determines what you do

Nothing to do

Don't have a drive-in, have to drive to Sparta

Need better selection of books in the libraries at school

VF isn't really a mall for teens to hang out

Need more homeless shelters

Too many churches

Not many rental houses that are affordable (3 bedroom homes)

Family issues cause drug issues

Stress leads to drug abuse

Nothing to do leads to drug abuse

Not enough security

Avalon Center is helpful

Not enough outdoor activity areas

Need more parks conveniently located, rec park too far away

Movies & Playhouse are good activities

Community drug problem

Where are we now? Cultural

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Blended traditions

Tradition to grow up and leave to get the right job

Good opportunity to be who you want to be

A lot of drug dealers here

No diversity in religion

TCAT, tnPromise, scholarship programs good for creating more culture

Lack of diversity

Probably leaving after high school

Because we are from Tennessee, people assume bad things

Good opportunities

Where are we going? Values

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Popularity

Sports

Equal opportunities do not exist

Trending to downhill: bullying/drugs/cyberbullying

Too materialistic/how you look

Values going out the window

Will continue to have family influence

Job opportunities, education = \$

If no change, drugs and alcohol, crime will get worse

Where are we going? Workforce

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Workforce is going nowhere

Only service jobs available with no future

Need better schools

Trend for a lack of freedom

We're going from one drama event to another

Need more specialized doctors

Education should teach more practical classes

Get rid of music class

Need more classroom space for art

Need to recruit more job opportunities

Job opportunities won't get any better

Probably have to move after school

Education opportunities look good

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More religion in the future

Need more recreation opportunities

Too much of the same thing

Money determines activities (cheerleading) transportation an issue

Nowhere

If more activities, people would want to be in Crossville

Religion flat to slightly improving

Drug problem will get worse

Where are we going? Cultural

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People should stop judging others

Less opportunities for young adults in the future

More education, less drugs, more shelter homes, rehab

No change

Where do we want to be? Values

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Parents support teachers

Teachers teach values

Responsibility for personal decisions

Work together for the greater good

Plug community into a larger community i.e. National Chess Federation

Better reputation

Keep strong family influence

No drugs or alcohol

People to work hard to help their children learn to achieve

Where do we want to be? Workforce

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Jobs that pay well on teenage level as well as adult level

More career jobs with benefits

Need wide range of job opportunities

Need better paying jobs

More employment

Better jobs and higher pay, not just fast food jobs

More job availability for young & old

Full 4 year college

Another elementary school or middle school

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One middle school, one high school to create more "community", get to know each other better

Longer summers

Need those in power to care for the entire community

More things to do

To eliminate and/or improve public housing

Better law enforcement in some areas

Want a mall to congregate

Amusement park

Need a tourist attraction

South Elementary should stop holding kids back for basketball

Need zoning for schools and enforce it

Reduce drug activity

Better communication skills

More supervision at rec parks

Wal-Mart is bad at night

BETTER MALL

Shopping mall

More taxes to support programs

Less debt for the government

Better transportation

Better selection of things to do

Cheaper community events

Amusement park

Better selection of rides for older kids at the Cumberland County Fair

More swimming pools

Less gas stations

Theme park

More family restaurants

Need more places like Chuckle's

More parks, recreation, and waterpark

Where do we want to be? Cultural

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Have good recreational opportunities

More diversity, less judgement