



# Your Last Word - Comments

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I suspect it's not really anonymous	Data privacy
I wish there had been a way for people who are nervous or mistrusting of this to not leave their names. Like maybe at the end of the survey they could be given an email or phone number that they could reach out to later or just be given a list of general	Data privacy
Some of the answers are personal hoping there is a degree of privacy	Data privacy
The best way to get accurate data from a survey is to make it truly anonymous. In order to connect people with services they might need, on the last part of the survey you could add links to organizations that offer those services.	Data privacy
1.Develop old USS Atlas Cement property into a new business hub with help from Harrisburg once new Southern Beltway ends at Thompson Run and connects with Parkway East (I-376) to further connect with the PA Turnpike.2. Build the amphitheater at the PH Li	Economic development
Election integrity could be better and smoother with the help of our Idâ€™s also a receipt would be nice not a sticker	Elections
Will penn hills help get rid of this wild bamboo problem?	Environment
The food bank in her apartment has really cut back on meat and other groceries	Food access
Stop the illegal immigration into the community ðŸ˜ˆ	Immigration
I would love to see evidence that those in charge genuinely care about this community. Thus far it is the same old same old and Penn Hills is quickly becoming an extension of Homewood and Wilkinsburg because of accessibility. Ironic that the reason my fa	Leadership
Need a state Rep who is hopefully not corrupt and actually works for and Promotes our community.	Leadership
We desperately need younger leadership in Penn Hills	Leadership
Need cleaner streets	Litter
Biggest concern is where money goes in the community and why do large amounts of money go to one project; Rodi Rd; For example	Local government
I have made several attempts to get info on the easement behind our house, hopefully someone will finally answer me	Local government
I wish we could tell more about how our local government doesn't work for us.	Local government
I would like municipal officials to treat residents with more respect and given more time to talk at council meetings.	Local government
The politics in Penn Hills are the worst!!!!	Local government
The public works department is very responsive and deserves the highest praise!	Local government
Hope it's not a waste of and money!	Need results
I hope residents who respond to this census will be open and honest in their responses, so that hopefully we can improve PH in a positive way, so that it will once again be a community we all can be proud to live in.	Need results

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I hope that this sense is actually leads to some changes that are positive for the community	Need results
I hope this information is used well and there is legitimate follow through to help people.	Need results
I really hope my input is heard	Need results
I really hope you have the means to reach the people that really need to be completing this.	Need results
I think this is a great idea, but follow up is key. The survey is useless if nothing comes of it.	Need results
If anything would ever improve in Penn Hills (the trash, litter, overall look of Penn Hills which is dumpy and unappealing) It would be greatly appreciated!	Need results
It would be wonderful if there would be a website or a facility where the issues of concerned citizens would be heard and noted and then resolved to make us proud of living in Penn Hills today.	Need results
Just hopes this helps our community.	Need results
See a result from the information given with the next 2 years.	Need results
This census was really good and detailed but may be too long for some people to take the time to fill out. It will be interesting to see the results of it! Also - it would be nice to maybe send out a list of programs available and organizations that are a	Need results
Very comprehensive survey however I have little hope that any real changes will be made or considered because of this survey..	Need results
We must do it better than the Haters in the community did in the 70's and 80's.	Need results
We are overrun with deer—I'd love to see the numbers reduced considerably— they eat and ruin so much, it's hard to have a garden or decorative plants	Pests
Lived here all my life used to have great restaurants, fun memorable activities	Retail
More restaurants are needed. Considering the population, there are very few sit down restaurants.	Retail
New housing for a fair price and more option for entertainment, shopping and more for the kids.	Retail
Take the lack of business and community activities seriously	Retail
The Census makes sense with the exception that you are not actually addressing what we need to prosper. That is businesses. We have to leave this large Municipality to shop and be entertained. We need places to interact locally especially for our yout	Retail
We need more stores to shop at that is NOT a dollar general, dollar tree or auto part store. Also, more restaurants and a sheetz. I go to Monroeville for most of our shopping, dinning and gas.	Retail
you need to attract more restaurants to Penn Hill's, we don't have enough of a selection and most don't deliver.	Retail
Always keep a handle on crime	Safety
The Crime is getting worse due to the Section 8 bldg. I really hope completing this will initiate an inquiry about the zoning for that apartment complex.	Safety
There are shady individuals trespassing on our properties and using drugs on our properties in our neighborhood/block	Safety
The poor ranking of the school district is holding down housing prices, and raising taxes so seniors can't afford their homes. It should be shut down, and school aged children of PH should be given vouchers to a reputable school of their choice. This one	Schools

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WHO IS IN CHARGE OF DISCIPLINE IN THE SCHOOLS AND ON SCHOOL BUSES, SEEMS LIKE THERE ARE NO CONSEQUENCES FOR BAD BEHAVIOR.	Schools
I think we need a greater police presence on the neighborhood roads. The amount of aggressive, speeding, littering people has got OUT OF CONTROL!!!	Speeding
I would like to see some photo enforcement on certain posted 25 mph speed limit roads. I believe the revenue from fines from all those who go speeding through these posted limits would help with funds to be used for wherever needed for Penn Hills.	Speeding
The Speed bumps could also make heavy traffic areas safer streets that people often speed i.e. hershey road	Speeding
I think this is a good way to establish community needs. The problem with penn hills is the vastness of the area it covers. I am familiar with my area of Rosedale, and the main areas of Rodi, Frankstown and Rodi Roads. I do not visit other areas although	Summary laundry list
I wish there were less vacant houses in the area. That the township was more on top of the speeding on the roads and inability of drivers to stop at stop signs. We need full time code enforcement to site the people who do not keep up the outside of their	Summary laundry list
increase library funding. build a community center for youth at the library and provide free or subsidized transportation from locations to the library for youth as well as senior citizens, do something youth related using the Thaddeus Stevens elementary	Summary laundry list
Love Penn Hills but the crime and drugs are worrisome. Also more shout be done for the elderly who cant leave their houses.	Summary laundry list
Pave the roads and clean up the litter and lower the taxes!!!!	Summary laundry list
Penn Hills has great assets- affordable homes, great location, nice people. The school situation as far as taxes and academic/safety reputation is a drag on people wanting to move and remain here.	Summary laundry list
PENN HILLS IS A GENERALLY NICE COMMUNITY, BUT WE ARE DISJOINTED. UNLESS YOU HAVE KIDS IN SCHOOL OR A SENIOR CITIZEN, THERE ARE VERY FEW COMMUNITY GATHERING SPACES FOR RECREATION OR ACTIVITIES. WE NEED A YMCA/ YWCA, KINGSLEY CENTER, ETC. WE SHOULD APPROACH	Summary laundry list
Penn Hills was a wonderful community when I moved in and I believe it could be again. We need police to ride through neighborhoods and ticket people speeding and running lights and stop signs. We need Code Enforcement to ticket people parking on streets	Summary laundry list
Wish Code Enforcement enforced codesâ€¦ suggest realtors give new home owners Penn Hills Codes. People donâ€™t take care of property, leave trash cans on curbs seven days a week with trash blowing everywhere, fireworks shot too close to properties, etc.	Summary laundry list
A lot of questions are geared toward individual needs rather than for a whole community	Survey design
Easy enough, but didnâ€™t include space for explanations and exceptions in some cases.	Survey design
I think a couple of things could have been worded differently, but overall is satisfactory	Survey design
I think response will be limited by people feeling it is overly intrusive	Survey design
I would have expected more questions on transportation & safety. This survey seemed heavily focused on social services.	Survey design
I would like to save and return later	Survey design
If participation ends up low, please consider stream lining the census.	Survey design

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I'm surprised that there were no questions regarding what kind of businesses the community would like to see in Penn Hills.	Survey design
Informative, kind, easy to do.	Survey design
It was unclear what this data was being gathered for. Is it to contact me about these services?	Survey design
its a little long	Survey design
No questions were asked specifically about the quality of the Penn Hills Police Department, which I believe does an excellent job.	Survey design
Question were easy	Survey design
Questions/info about tspecific orgs. would be nice (e.g. how do you feel about the police/fire dept./library? Have you heard of the shade tree commission/rotary?)	Survey design
regarding pars and other answers - rarely would be a good choice	Survey design
Survey is too long	Survey design
Technology is great but sometimes face to face is better	Survey design
The personal heath are parts of this seems to be a bit too personal.	Survey design
The question where do you see yourself in five years is redundant and should not be on a census.	Survey design
This was a very long 10 page census! You may have a better response rate with two shorter census questionnaires.	Survey design
Too long	Survey design
Would be nice to have had a link address on the flyer itself rather than just the scan code so I could have just done this on PC.	Survey design
Yes, some of the answers should have had the No icon	Survey design
I HAVE BEEN PAYING MY TAXES FOR 30 YEARS AND RECEIVE LITTLE TO NO BENEFITS FROM MY TAX DOLLARS !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!	Taxes
I hope some of my responses can be addressed high sewage bills & lawn parking	Taxes
I think I forgot to mention my concern about our high taxes...we need to increase our tax base and lower taxes...especially for seniors who have lived here all their lives and no longer have children attending out schools. Thank you for taking time to lis	Taxes
Lower school taxes!!	Taxes
penn hills needs to grow. There needs to be more attempts to bring businesses here to boost the economy. Highest tax rate in Allegheny county! Its killing the people and making us lose residents.	Taxes
A lot of information and hopefully people will be honest	Thank you
Appreciate being asked my opinion.	Thank you
Appreciate especially if anyone would need help.	Thank you
appreciate it is being done & hope to see positive results & be contacted per my stated needs. Thank you for all your time & effort-We greatly everything you are trying to do.	Thank you
Appreciate your intent	Thank you
Appreciate your service and feel it is important to Penn Hills Community	Thank you
Enjoyed it very much. Loved this outreach!	Thank you
Excellent idea!	Thank you
Glad it's being done, glad to see what people are feeling, always good to have focus groups	Thank you

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Glad to provide help in anyway that i can. We are, overall, a very privileged household in Penn Hills. Although we do not need many services, we are in huge support to your works to provide resources to the wider community.	Thank you
Glad you are doing this â€¦ looking forward to hearing the results	Thank you
glad you are doing this to improve Penn Hills. We all need to work together.	Thank you
Glad you're doing it! Blessings on your creative work!	Thank you
Good for the community and us moving forward.	Thank you
Good idea	Thank you
Good idea	Thank you
Good idea	Thank you
Good idea to do this	Thank you
Good idea to do this survey!	Thank you
Good idea!	Thank you
Good luck to you. I hope you can actually do something.	Thank you
Good luck, I hope you get a lot of responses.	Thank you
good start, hope it proceeds	Thank you
Good to know this is happening	Thank you
Great idea keep it going	Thank you
Great idea to do a survey. Looking forward to seeing the results.	Thank you
Great idea to improve our area. High taxes and landlord are not regulated	Thank you
Great idea! Hope this gets favorable results.	Thank you
Great information assessment tool.	Thank you
Great questionnaire, thank you!	Thank you
Great questions that may help a lot of people connect to groups which can help them. Probably many of those who could use the help won't answer the census. There lies the problem.	Thank you
Great to know someone is at least looking at improving Penn Hills.	Thank you
Great work all for this survey!	Thank you
Happy to see this hope you utilize it to it's potential	Thank you
Helping out our community more forward.	Thank you
Hope it helps	Thank you
Hope it helps	Thank you
Hope this improves the community	Thank you
Hoping this will make a difference in Penn Hills	Thank you
I applaud this effort!	Thank you
I appreciate the efforts of all people involved in creating this survey & its compilation. The Penn Hills community needs identity. The newly created space on Rodi Rd begins to help with that. We have a lot of park space which is great but do we have p	Thank you
I hope a lot of residents respond.	Thank you
I think it is a great idea. I hope it will help people in the community become more connected.	Thank you
I think itll be helpful	Thank you
I think the Community Census is a fantastic idea!	Thank you

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I think this is a great idea and we should continue to do them in the future.	Thank you
I think this is timely, so that residents can hopefully put Penn Hills Council on notice that residents have questions that are not being addressed!! I hope this info is given to council and Mayor. Thanks	Thank you
I'm thrilled you're asking. It could really help bond the community and improve things.	Thank you
I'm glad it's happening! I look forward to the results	Thank you
I'm glad this is happening and am hopeful it will drive positive change for PH.	Thank you
I'm glad to see this data being sought.	Thank you
It's good, thorough & the right questions	Thank you
It's a good start.	Thank you
Keep him informed for any additional information about the Census, especially the follow up meetings in November!	Thank you
Lovely survey and will tell her neighbors to take survey too!	Thank you
Moving Penn forward in all aspects of a community.All working together in transparency and for all humans.	Thank you
Nice effort! Thanks for seeking input	Thank you
Said it is was wonderful	Thank you
thank you for caring	Thank you
Thank you for caring about Penn Hills. I was reluctant to move here at first, I had a negative opinion of it overall. I remember a woman in the old borough building even made a comment when she saw my former address was Plum. She actually said, "you're"	Thank you
Thank you for caring.	Thank you
Thank you for collecting this information this is the only way to know what is needed	Thank you
Thank you for conducting census!	Thank you
Thank you for conducting this census	Thank you
Thank you for conducting this survey and I hope it helps Penn Hills as we move forward toward a stronger community.	Thank you
Thank you for doing this	Thank you
Thank you for doing this!	Thank you
Thank you for doing this!	Thank you
Thank you for doing this!	Thank you
Thank you for doing this.	Thank you
Thank you for gathering this information!	Thank you
Thank you for putting this together! I think Penn Hills is a great community and am excited to see how it continues to grow.	Thank you
thank you for your time	Thank you
Thank you very much for collecting this data.	Thank you
Thanks for all your hard work and effort to improve our community and help us improve it ourselves.	Thank you
Thanks for asking for input	Thank you
Thanks for doing this!	Thank you
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Thanks for doing this. Wishing you much success.	Thank you
Thanks for inquiring.	Thank you
Thanks for putting this together!	Thank you
Thanks for the initiation of sending this survey	Thank you
Thanks for trying to help those in need	Thank you
The census was fine.	Thank you
Thinks surveys are important for improvement	Thank you
This is a great idea to see what things the community would support.	Thank you
This is a great idea. We don't need any help at the current time, but we have adult children who are struggling financially even though they work full-time.	Thank you
This is a great idea; I hope you share the results with everyone	Thank you
This is great!	Thank you
This surgery is very comprehensive! I appreciate being asked and hope that the answers inform ways to improve the community.	Thank you
This was easy.	Thank you
Very comprehensive	Thank you
Very good idea if it provides the municipality with a decent roadmap of what needs to be accomplished.	Thank you
Very thorough!	Thank you
We appreciate the folks that made this community census possible	Thank you
Well done. Great idea.	Thank you
We've lived here since 1989 and this is the very 1st community census. Seems strange.	Thank you
Wonderful idea	Thank you
Wonderful idea especially if the data helps the municipality apply for and access funds for local community improvements.	Thank you
1. There really needs to be a left turning lane and a left turning light at the intersection of Route 130/Beulah Road and Frankstown Road. 2. It is dangerous pulling out of Rodi Road and another light and/or stop sign might help [possibly near the interse	Traffic
Great idea but really wish traffic and parking on the wrong side of the street (mainly in summer) would be addressed.	Traffic
May want to ask about roads and access in a future census. Rodi Road, for example is a disaster!	Traffic
Please get a mirror set up on Laketon & Southern. You cannot see Laketon to the left when pulling out of Southern. Many close calls & accidents.	Traffic
The corner of May street and Caldwell street need repairs to water run off and needs ænot parking signs at intersection, thank you	Traffic
Getting public transportation working better for the seniors	Transit
More transportation, more places to visit with in penn hills	Transit
1. I am concerned about all the dead trees in Penn Hills neighborhoods. I believe many of them are going to fall on people, cars and/or electric lines. Many people can't afford to have them removed. Is there a grant that could be used to remove dead tree	Trees
Getting the leaves and trees in the area. And help with her area	Trees
Really appreciate the new tree plantings along Rodi Rd	Trees

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It would be nice to see the old municipal building become a hub for innovative civic engagement and community activity.	Vacant property
Need to open Linton for swimming	Vacant property
NEED TO FIND WAY TO BETTER SUPPORT OUR VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS. THEY NEED TO HAVE TIME TO TRAIN TO BE THE BEST THEY CAN BE, INSTEAD OF WORRING ABOUT RAISING FUNDS TO PROVIDE THE SERVICES. THAT THEY DO AT NO COST TO OUR COMMUNITY. THEY GET NO PAY AN	Volunteer fire corps
I really like living here. But like I say it would be nice to be able to walk safely around here to the stores. But cars part too close to the road and they block safe walking conditions on or near Jeffersonz	Walkability
More sidewalks in Penn Hills. Stotler Rd could use more lighting	Walkability
Would love to see sidewalks and street sweeping!	Walkability
Concerned about low income people's need not tax payers what a joke I feel it is	We're doomed - nothing will happen!
I don't believe this survey will guide any of you to improve a single issue. It's just another waste of time to pacify the residents. I will be selling this house before the end of this year to get away from here. Penn Hills was once a thriving community	We're doomed - nothing will happen!
I was proud to grow up here in the 80s. PH has steadily declined since then. I'm embarrassed to say I live here.	We're doomed - nothing will happen!
nothing will happen. the community is too lazy.	We're doomed - nothing will happen!
The questions indicate exactly what is happening in Penn Hills, going rapidly down hill, things needed that were never necessary when I moved here in1965.	We're doomed - nothing will happen!
Waste of time	We're doomed - nothing will happen!
We never needed this shit before now we are turning into just another shit hole filled with drugs guns and wanna be gangsta's. I can't wait to get out of Penn Hills.	We're doomed - nothing will happen!
I want to help but don't know where to start.	Willing to help
There needs to be programs for the teenagers to do.	Youth