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| $\begin{aligned} & \bar{\Gamma} \\ & \stackrel{\Gamma}{0} \\ & \stackrel{U}{0} \end{aligned}$ | Overall appearance | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 62\% | Customer service | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 75\% | Recommend Charlotte County | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 90\% |
|  | Overall quality of life | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 83\% | Services provided by Charlotte County | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 72\% | Remain in Charlotte County | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 92\% |
|  | Place to retire | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\uparrow$ | 85\% | Services provided by the Federal Government | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 35\% | Contacted Charlotte County employees | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 52\% |
|  | Place to raise children | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 63\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Place to live | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 84\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Neighborhood | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 88\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Overall image | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 64\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\stackrel{\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\omega}}{\stackrel{\rightharpoonup}{\omega}}$ | Overall feeling of safety | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 82\% | Police | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 85\% | Was NOT the victim of a crime | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 92\% |
|  | Safe in neighborhood | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 97\% | Crime prevention | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 73\% | Did NOT report a crime | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 82\% |
|  | Safe downtown/commercial area | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 92\% | Fire | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 96\% | Stocked supplies for an emergency | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\uparrow \uparrow$ | 62\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | Fire prevention | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 79\% |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Ambulance/EMS | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 93\% |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Emergency preparedness | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 75\% |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Animal control | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 63\% |  |  |  |  |
|  | Traffic flow | $\downarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 46\% | Traffic enforcement | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 67\% | Carpooled instead of driving alone | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 41\% |
|  | Travel by car | $\downarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 56\% | Street repair | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 44\% | Walked or biked instead of driving | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 44\% |
|  | Travel by bicycle | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 33\% | Street lighting | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 51\% | Used public transportation instead of driving | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow \downarrow$ | 5\% |
|  | Ease of walking | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 43\% | Sidewalk maintenance | $\downarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 46\% |  |  |  |  |
|  | Travel by public transportation | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 16\% | Traffic signal timing | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 44\% |  |  |  |  |
|  | Overall ease travel | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 72\% | Bus or transit services | $\uparrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 33\% |  |  |  |  |
|  | Public parking | $\downarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 58\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Paths and walking trails | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 45\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Overall natural environment | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 79\% | Garbage collection | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 89\% | Recycled at home | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 95\% |
|  | Air quality | $\downarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 77\% | Recycling | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 90\% | Conserved water | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 89\% |
|  | Cleanliness | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 66\% | Yard waste pick-up | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 84\% | Made home more energy efficient | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 78\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | Drinking water | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 54\% |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Open space | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 61\% |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | Natural areas preservation | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 63\% |  |  |  |  |
|  | New development in Charlotte County | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 44\% | Sewer services | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 67\% | NOT experiencing housing cost stress | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 70\% |
|  | Affordable quality housing | $\downarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 35\% | Storm drainage | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 49\% | Did NOT observe a code violation | $\uparrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 49\% |
|  | Housing options | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 50\% | Land use, planning and zoning | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 37\% |  |  |  |  |
|  | Overall built environment | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 50\% | Code enforcement | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 37\% |  |  |  |  |
|  | Public places | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 63\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { त } \\ & \text { O} \\ & \text { O} \\ & \text { U } \end{aligned}$ | Overall economic health | $\uparrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 44\% | Economic development | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 36\% | Economy will have positive impact on income | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 30\% |
|  | Shopping opportunities | $\uparrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 61\% |  |  |  |  | Purchased goods or services in Charlotte County | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 98\% |
|  | Employment opportunities | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 26\% |  |  |  |  | Work in Charlotte County | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 39\% |
|  | Place to visit | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 72\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Cost of living | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 48\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Place to work | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 42\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Business and services | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 58\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Fitness opportunities | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 62\% | County parks | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 78\% | In very good to excellent health | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 57\% |
|  | Recreational opportunities | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 61\% | Recreation centers | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 61\% | Used Charlotte County recreation centers | $\downarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 55\% |
|  | Health care | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 56\% | Recreation programs | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 62\% | Visited a County park | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 77\% |
|  | Food | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 65\% | Health services | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 61\% | Ate 5 portions of fruits and vegetables | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 82\% |
|  | Mental health care | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 37\% |  |  |  |  | Participated in moderate or vigorous physical activity | $\downarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 77\% |
|  | Health and wellness | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 64\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Preventive health services | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 54\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | K -12 education | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 67\% | Public libraries | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 82\% | Used Charlotte County public libraries | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 61\% |
|  | Cultural/arts/music activities | $\uparrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 61\% | Special events | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 57\% | Attended a County-sponsored event | $\downarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 42\% |
|  | Child care/preschool | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 50\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Religious or spiritual events and activities | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 79\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Adult education | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 51\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Overall education and enrichment | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\downarrow$ | 52\% |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Opportunities to participate in community matters | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 64\% | Public information | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 62\% | Sense of community | $\uparrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 57\% |
|  | Opportunities to volunteer | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 79\% | Overall direction | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 52\% | Voted in local elections | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 86\% |
|  | Openness and acceptance | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 55\% | Value of services for taxes paid | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 46\% | Talked to or visited with neighbors | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 94\% |
|  | Social events and activities | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 62\% | Welcoming citizen involvement | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 39\% | Attended a local public meeting | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 22\% |
|  | Neighborliness | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 62\% | Confidence in County government | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 44\% | Watched a local public meeting | $\downarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 23\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | Acting in the best interest of Charlotte County | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 46\% | Volunteered | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 36\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | Being honest | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 45\% | Campaigned for an issue, cause or candidate | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 21\% |
|  |  |  |  |  | Treating all residents fairly | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 47\% | Contacted Charlotte County elected officials | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 19\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Read or watched local news | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\uparrow$ | 95\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Done a favor for a neighbor | $\leftrightarrow$ | $\leftrightarrow$ | 90\% |

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