



Age-friendly Community Survey

The purpose of this survey is to learn from citizens age 55+ how well the Township of Esquimalt performs as an age-friendly community. Information gathered will be used in the update to the Official Community Plan, planning for Township services, and as advice to partner organizations. Results of the survey will form part of an age-friendly assessment funded by the Union of BC Municipalities and will be made public in August 2016.

All respondent information will remain anonymous.

Surveys may be completed online at www.esquimalt.ca/communityplan until Friday, May 20, 2016.

Personal information you provide on this survey is collected pursuant to the Local Government Act, and will only be used for the purposes of evaluating the input received on community planning in Esquimalt. Your personal information will not be released except in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Questions about the collection of your personal information may be referred to the Director of Corporate Services, 1229 Esquimalt Road, Esquimalt, BC V9A 3P1, 250-414-7135.

The Township of Esquimalt will not collect, use, or disclose personal information using SurveyMonkey. Please be aware however that IP addresses are collected by SurveyMonkey itself, and these IP addresses and other information collected will be stored on SurveyMonkey's servers located outside of Canada. This survey is voluntary and a response is encouraged, not required. Please do not provide any third-party information (i.e. talk about others) in your responses to the survey.

1. What is your age?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Under 55 | <input type="checkbox"/> 70 to 74 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 55 to 59 | <input type="checkbox"/> 75 to 79 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 60 to 64 | <input type="checkbox"/> 80 to 84 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 65 to 69 | <input type="checkbox"/> 85+ |

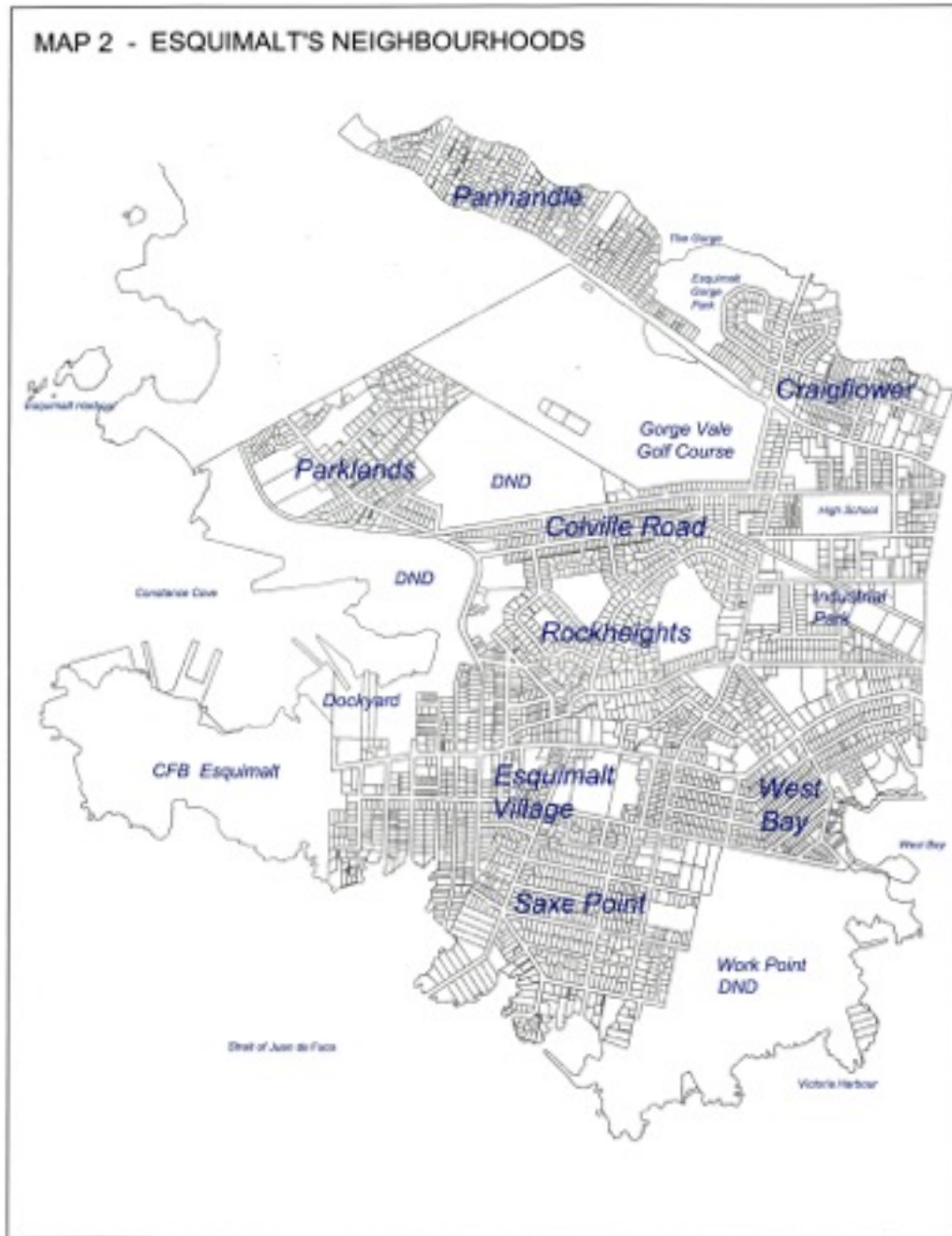
2. What is your gender?

- Male
- Female
- Transgender

3. Identify your neighbourhood as shown on the map below.

- Colville Road
- Craigflower
- Esquimalt Village
- Industrial Park
- Panhandle

- Parklands
- Rockheights
- Saxe Point
- West Bay
- Don't know



Housing

4. In which type of housing do you currently live? (*select one*)

- Ground floor oriented home (single family, duplex, townhouse)
- Apartment
- Accessory dwelling
- Secondary suite within the home
- Assisted living in a special built facility
- Extended, long term care
- Segregated seniors housing
- Multi-generational housing
- Other (please identify)_____

5. What type of housing do you anticipate needing in the future as you age in Esquimalt? (*select any that apply*)

- Stay in my own home with modifications
- Smaller dwelling
- Accessory dwelling
- Secondary suite within the home
- Assisted living in a special built facility
- Extended, long term care
- Segregated seniors housing
- Multi-generational housing
- Subsidized
- Don't know
- Other (please identify)_____

6. I believe that the type of housing needed as I age will be available in Esquimalt. (*select the extent to which you agree or not*)

- Agree strongly
- Agree
- Disagree
- Disagree strongly
- Don't know

Community Support

7. What supports are needed for you to age in your home? *(check any that apply)*

- Home renovations such as ramps, wider doors, modified washrooms
- Friendly visiting
- Transportation
- Light yard work
- Minor home repairs
- Light housekeeping
- Grocery shopping
- Meal delivery
- Nothing more
- Don't know
- Other (please identify) _____

8. I find the supports needed to age in my home are readily available. *(select the extent to which you agree or not)*

- Agree strongly
- Agree
- Disagree
- Disagree strongly
- Don't know

Mobility

9. I am able to comfortably get around Esquimalt without the use of a private automobile. *(select the extent to which you agree or not)*

- Agree strongly
- Agree
- Disagree
- Disagree strongly
- Don't know

Buildings, outdoor spaces, land use

10. Safe and comfortable sidewalks and trails are available where I want to go. *(select the extent to which you agree or not)*

- Agree strongly
- Agree
- Disagree
- Disagree strongly
- Don't know

11. If you don't agree, list any locations where safe and comfortable sidewalks and trails are not available.

12. Answer the following question if you use a mobility device such as a walker, scooter, cane, or wheelchair:

It is easy to get around in Esquimalt with a mobility device. *(select the extent to which you agree or not)*

- Agree strongly
- Agree
- Disagree
- Disagree strongly
- Don't know

13. List any facility or business that is **not** readily accessible to older adults using mobility devices.

14. I have easy access to commercial services such as grocery shopping and a pharmacy. *(select the extent to which you agree or not)*

- Agree strongly
- Agree
- Disagree
- Disagree strongly
- Don't know

Social participation & recreation

15. Are you a member of any voluntary organizations or associations, such as school groups, church social groups, community centres, ethnic associations or social, civic or fraternal clubs?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

If yes:

16. How often did you participate in meetings or activities of these groups in the past 12 months? *If you belong to many, just think of the ones in which you are most active.*

- At least once a week
- At least once a month
- At least 3 or 4 times a year
- At least once a year
- Not at all
- Don't know

17. The following facilities are important to me. *(check all that apply)*

- Library
- Parks
- Esquimalt Recreation Centre
- Archie Browning Sports Centre
- Community garden
- Canadian Royal Legion
- Other *(please identify)* _____

Work force participation opportunities

18. Which of the following categories best describes your employment status?

- Employed, working full-time
- Employed, working part-time
- Not employed, looking for work
- Not employed, NOT looking for work
- Retired
- Disabled, not able to work

If you are employed or looking for work, answer the following question:

19. Adequate full or part time employment opportunities are available to me. *(select the extent to which you agree or not)*

- Agree strongly
- Agree
- Disagree
- Disagree strongly
- Don't know

Respect and civic participation

20. I have enough say in local government decisions that affect my life.

- Agree strongly
- Agree
- Disagree
- Disagree strongly
- Don't know

21. If you don't agree, tell us how you would like to have more say in local government decisions that affect your life.

Communication and information

22. The township provides information I need in an easy to use form.
(select the extent to which you agree or not)

- Agree strongly
- Agree
- Disagree
- Disagree strongly
- Don't know

23. If you don't agree, tell us how the Township could provide information you need in an easy to use form.

General

24. What are the **most** age friendly aspects of living in Esquimalt?
(choose your top 3)

- Housing
- Transportation (transit, rides)
- Infrastructure/built environment (roads, sidewalks, trails, signage, parks, buildings)
- Social participation
- Community support (home support services)
- Health services
- Work and volunteer opportunities
- Respect and civic participation
- Communication and information
- Don't know

25. What are the **least** age-friendly aspects of living in Esquimalt?
(choose your top 3)

- Housing
- Transportation (transit, rides)
- Infrastructure/built environment (roads, sidewalks, trails, signage, parks, buildings)
- Social participation & recreation
- Community support (home support services)
- Health services
- Work and volunteer opportunities
- Respect and civic participation
- Communication and information
- Don't know

26. List any services associated with any of the above mentioned aspects that are not available in Esquimalt.

27. Please share any additional comments you may have.

Thank you for participating!

Complete online or drop off a paper copy by Friday, May 20, 2016.

Completed paper surveys may be dropped off at the following locations:

- Esquimalt Municipal Hall, Community Development Services Office, 3rd floor, 1229 Esquimalt Road
- Esquimalt Branch, Greater Victoria Regional Library, 1239 Esquimalt Road
- Esquimalt Recreation Centre, reception desk, 527 Fraser Street