



20th Avenue South Street Vacation Public Engagement Summary

Overview

As part of voter-approved regional light rail expansion, Sound Transit needs to build a new Operations and Maintenance Facility (OMF) in the South Sound to accommodate additional vehicles for the future 116-mile system. We launched the OMF South project in 2018 with the Tacoma Dome Link Extension. After multiple rounds of engagement, the Sound Transit Board identified a set of alternatives to carry into environmental review in 2019.

We published a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA) in 2021 that evaluated three possible sites for the OMF South facility: the Midway Landfill Alternative, the South 336th Street Alternative, and the South 344th Street Alternative. After consideration of the Draft EIS analysis and comments received from the public, the Sound Transit Board identified the South 336th Street Alternative as the preferred alternative. To align federal and state processes, we published a National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Draft/SEPA Supplemental Draft EIS on Sept. 22, 2023, evaluating the alternatives studied in the 2021 SEPA Draft EIS. Sound Transit and the Federal Transit Administration published the Final EIS on June 7, 2024. On June 27, 2024, the Sound Transit Board selected the preferred alternative (South 336th Street Site) as the project to be built.

In March 2024, the project team initiated an engagement period to collect and understand community input around proposed street changes and associated public benefits for the preferred alternative site. Sound Transit is preparing a street vacation application for the City of Federal Way to make street changes associated with the site. A street vacation is the permanent closure of a roadway.

The preferred alternative design involves closing 20th Avenue South from South 336th Street to South 341st Place. It would also extend 18th Place South from South 340th Street to South 336th Street to replace the closing street and extend 21st Avenue South from South 344th Street to South 341st Place to avoid a dead-end street for emergency vehicles. In addition to these street changes, we're proposing potential public benefits, including a multi-use path along the 18th Place South extension for people walking, rolling, and biking, and public space along South 336th Street at the northern edge of the facility, with amenities like seating, landscaping, artwork, or educational signage (see appendices A-C for more information).

Engagement by the numbers



Sent **over 2,200** mailers to homes, apartments, and businesses along the project corridor



Called and sent emails to **20** nearby apartment buildings, churches, and businesses



Received **94** survey responses



Over 1,000 users participated in an online open house



17 attendees came to **two** public drop-in sessions



Sent **two** project email updates to **more than 4,800** recipients



Reached **over 20,200** people through Sound Transit Facebook ads

Public feedback opportunities

From March 11 to March 31, the public provided feedback in the following ways:

- Submitting feedback through the online survey form on our website.
- Attending one of two drop-in sessions:
 - March 16, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Federal Way Library
 - March 26, 5 p.m. to 7 p.m., Federal Way 320th Library

Summary of survey feedback

The engagement period included a 14-question survey concerning the respondents' experience in the area and proposed public benefits, with six optional demographic questions. There were 94 survey responses recorded, which can be found in Appendix F with the survey questions.

Your experience in the area

- Most people are local and have used this section of 20th Avenue South before.
 - 53.2% of respondents (50 people) lived or owned a business within a half-mile of the preferred alternative site.
 - 68.1% of respondents (64 people) say they have walked, rolled, biked, or driven on the portion of 20th Avenue South that will be potentially vacated.
- Of those who have travelled on 20th Avenue South:
 - Most respondent drive to get to local destinations (79.7%, 47 people).
 - Many respondents drive on 20th Avenue South to avoid traffic in the area (52.5%, 31 people).
 - A further 20.3% of respondents (12 people) walk.
 - Another 6.8% of respondents (four people) bike or roll.

Respondents had the option of selecting multiple answers.

Potential changes to the street network

- When asked to comment on the proposal to close 20th Avenue South and extend 18th Place South, 37 respondents provided additional remarks.
 - Eleven comments (29.7%) were positive, noting their intended use of the multi-use path approval of general bike and pedestrian improvements, while the rest were not in favor of the preferred alternative.
 - Comments included a need for a traffic light at the intersection of South 336th Street and the extended 18th Place South, concerns about increased congestion in the area, and concerns about residential and business displacements from the OMF South project.
 - Others noted a concern for the safety of children and community members using the area for recreation due to potential traffic impacts and impacts to wetlands if the preferred alternative is selected. Commenters also expressed safety concerns regarding additional cars using the existing 18th Place South between South 341st Place and South 344th Street as a cut through route to avoid traffic.
 - Several respondents expressed concern about access to the South King Tool Library on South 340th Street. The property housing the tool library would not be affected by the street changes, and the 18th Place South extension would provide another path to the community resource.

Proposed public benefits

- When asked if they were excited about the proposed **multi-use path** along the extended 18th Place South, 40.7% of respondents (37 people) were not sure or had no opinion, 30.8% of respondents (28 people) said they were excited, and 28.6% of respondents (26 people) noted that they have concerns.
 - Forty of the respondents commented, noting concerns about unhoused community members using the area as an encampment. Several commenters expressed support for pedestrian and bike improvements in the area.
- When asked if they were excited about the proposed **public space** along South 336th Street, 34.4% of respondents were not sure or had no opinion (31 people), 34.4% of respondents noted that they had concerns (31 people), and 31.1% of respondents (28 people) said they were excited.
 - Fifty of the respondents commented, noting similar concerns raised in the previous open-response question. Some noted their excitement for an overlook area on train operations, with one noting that it would be especially nice for children excited about transit and trains.
- Of the features or amenities proposed in the design of the **public space** along South 336th Street, 70% of respondents (56 people) would like increased pedestrian lighting, and 58.8% (47 people) would like an overlook to the train yard of the OMF. Additionally, 48.8% of respondents (39 people) would like benches or other seating. Please note that respondents can select multiple answers.
- When prompted to provide feedback on the theme of the **public space**, responses were mixed. Some respondents reacted positively, sharing they thought transportation was an “excellent theme” and that it “makes sense to tie in topics with a transit focus.” Several commenters expressed dislike of the theme and commented against Sound Transit’s proposal for an OMF in the area. Several comments expressed ideas for other themes or topics to cover within the transportation theme, such as information about early road networks, horsedrawn wagons, and logging history. Ideas for other themes included a focus on nature, as well as the history of the Indigenous people of the area.
- When prompted to provide feedback on other aspects of the City of Federal Way that the project team should draw inspiration from, respondents commented that they would like the project team to look towards the many lakes and water views in the area, local flora and fauna, local Indigenous design, local wildlife, and the diversity of Federal Way.
- When prompted to provide any additional comments about the potential street vacation or suggestions for potential public benefits to share with Sound Transit or the City of Federal Way, multiple comments expressed concerns for safety in the area. One respondent commented that it would be “great to have more walking and biking traffic through the area,” which was affirmed in other comments. Additionally, a respondent commented, “having the train yard be viewable from the footpath would be a major boon towards public transparency and visibility.”

Demographics

The survey included six optional demographic questions with 63.5% of respondents (54 people) opting to answer them. Most respondents who answered the optional demographic questions identified as above 50 years old, white, and reported a total household income above \$50,000. A full review of the responses to the demographic questions can be found in Appendix F.

Outcomes and next steps

We have shared this summary of feedback with the City of Federal Way. On June 27, 2024, the Sound Transit Board selected the preferred alternative (South 336th Street Site) as the project to be built. Sound Transit is preparing a street vacation application for the City of Federal Way and anticipates submitting the application in the third quarter of 2024.

To stay informed

Sound Transit Community Outreach

- Phone: 206-398-5453
- Email: OMFSouth@soundtransit.org
- Web: soundtransit.org/omfs

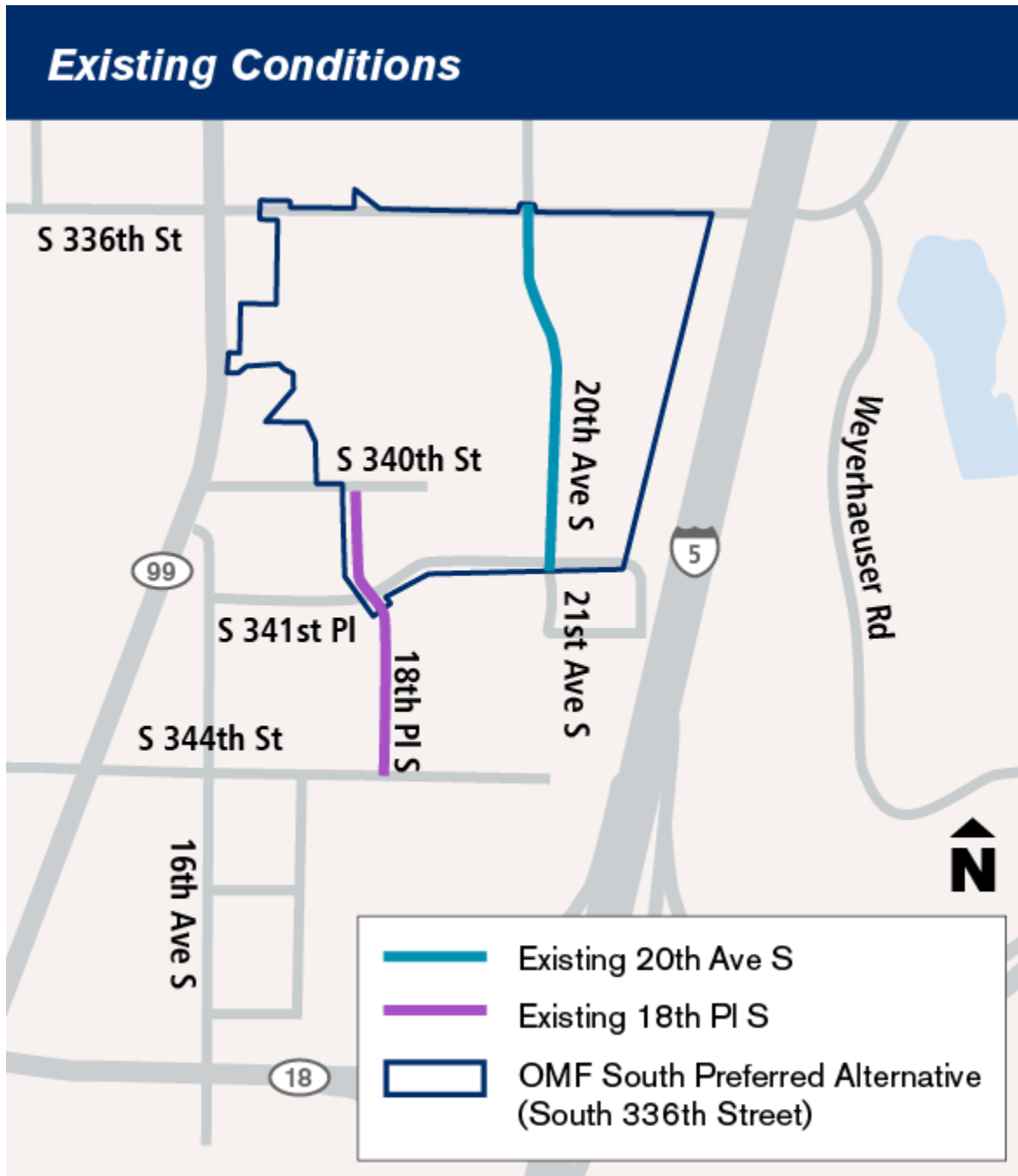
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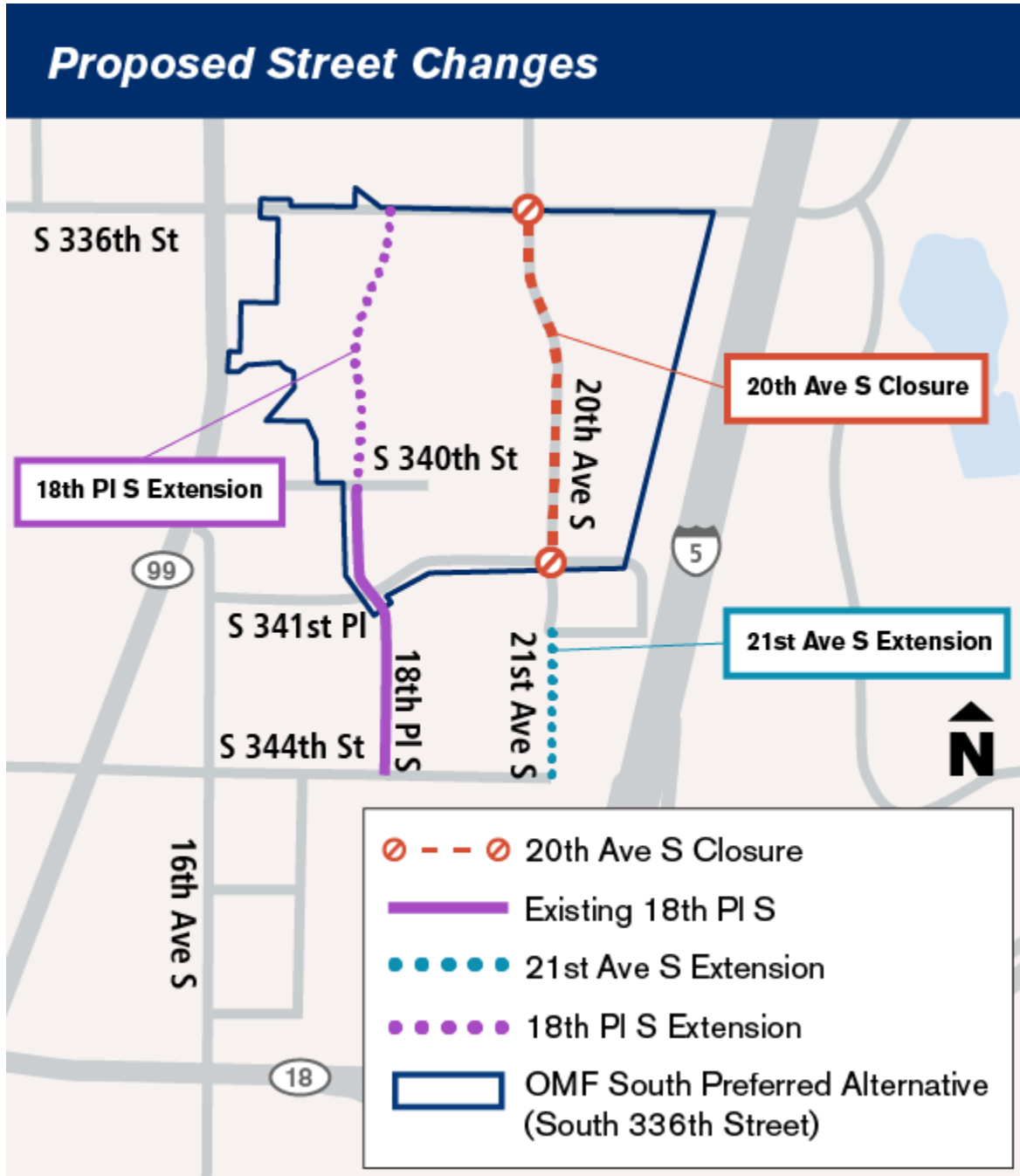
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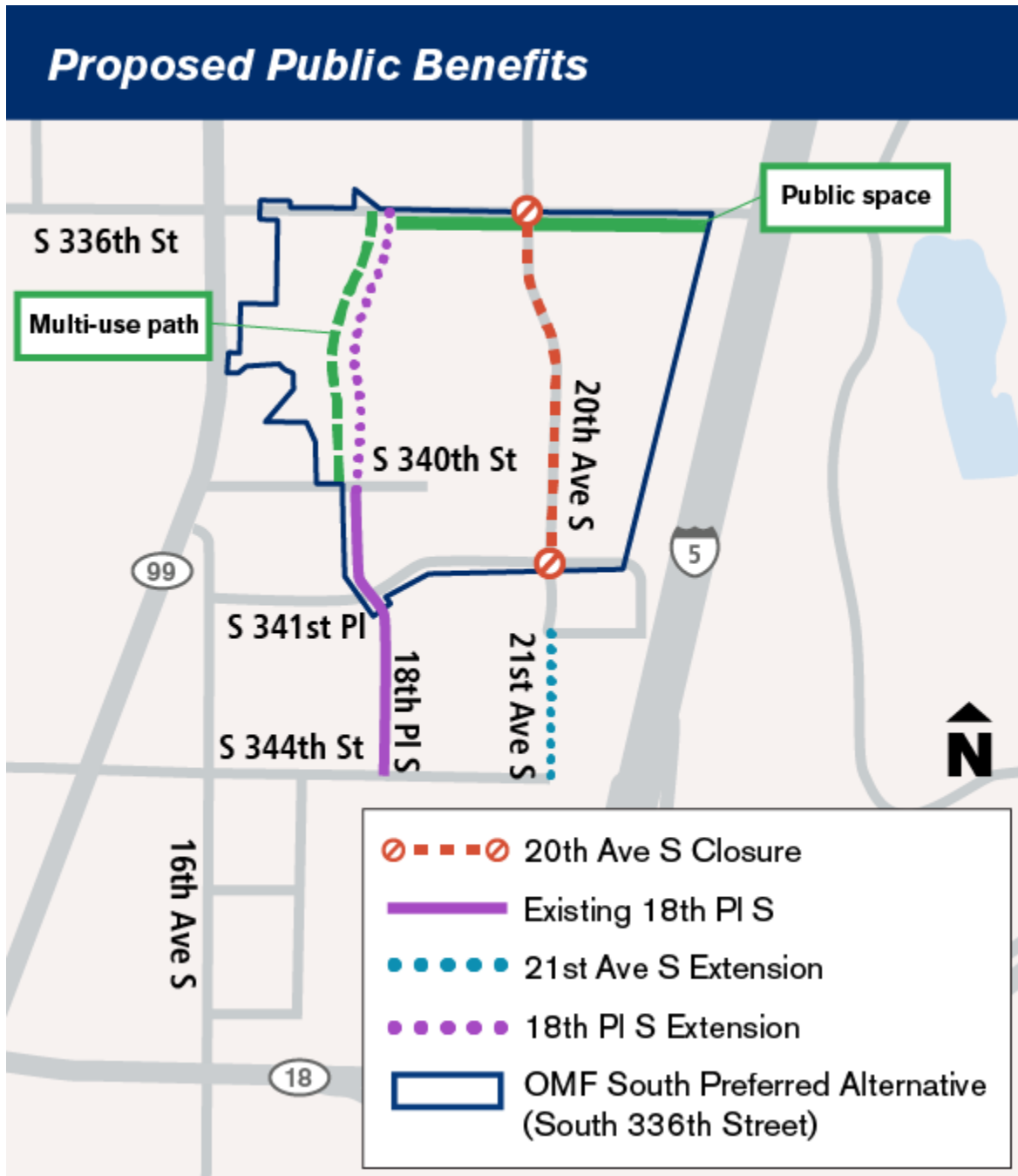
Appendix A: Existing Conditions Map



Appendix B: Proposed Street Changes Map



Appendix C: Proposed Public Benefits



Appendix D: Mailer

Share your thoughts on potential changes to 20th Ave. S for the proposed OMF South site

Do you live, work, own a business, or frequently travel on 20th Ave. S south of S 336th St.? We want your feedback.

Take our survey by March 31:
 3월 31일까지 설문 조사에 참여하세요:
 Пройдите наш опрос до 31 марта:
 Responda nuestra encuesta antes del 31 de marzo:

soundtransit.org/omfs-20th-ave

제안된 OMF South 현장을 20th Ave. S로 변경할 가능성에 관해 여러분의 의견을 알려 주세요

S 336th St. 남쪽에 위치한 20th Ave. S에서 거주, 근무, 사업체 운영 또는 잦은 이동 등을 하십니까? 여러분의 의견이 필요합니다.

Поделитесь мнением о потенциальных изменениях на 20th Ave. S как объекта OMF South

Вы живете, работаете, владеете бизнесом или часто ездите на 20th Ave. S к югу от S 336th St.? Мы хотим услышать ваше мнение.

Comparta su opinión sobre los posibles cambios en 20th Ave. S para el sitio propuesto de la OMF Sur

¿Vive, trabaja, es dueño de un negocio o viaja con frecuencia en la 20th Ave. S al sur de S 336th St.? Queremos sus comentarios.

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Take our survey by March 31

Sound Transit is advancing the Operations and Maintenance Facility South project, including design for the Preferred Alternative. At this stage, we want to hear from you about the proposed changes to 20th Ave. S south of S 336th St. and potential associated benefits.

Take the survey and learn about drop-in sessions: soundtransit.org/omfs-20th-ave

3월 31일까지 설문 조사에 참여하세요

Sound Transit은 우선 대안을 위한 디자인을 포함하여 운영 및 관리 시설 South 프로젝트를 진행하고 있습니다. 이 단계에서 저희는 S 336th St. 남쪽에 위치한 20th Ave. S로의 이전 제안 및 가능한 연관 혜택에 관해 여러분의 의견을 듣고자 합니다.

설문 조사에 참여하고 무예약 방문이 가능한 시간에 관해 확인하세요: soundtransit.org/omfs-20th-ave-kor

Пройдите наш опрос до 31 марта

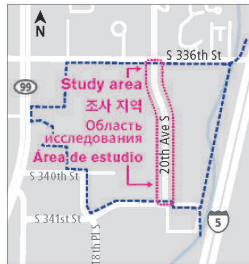
Sound Transit содействует развитию проекта базы эксплуатации и технического обслуживания, включая дизайн предпочтительной альтернативы. На этом этапе мы хотим услышать ваше мнение о предлагаемых изменениях на 20th Ave. S к югу от S 336th St. и потенциальных преимуществах, связанных с ними.

Пройти опрос и узнать больше о выездных собраниях можно здесь: soundtransit.org/omfs-20th-ave-rus

Responda nuestra encuesta antes del 31 de marzo:

Sound Transit está avanzando en el proyecto de la Unidad de Operaciones y Mantenimiento Sur, incluido el diseño de la Alternativa Preferida. En esta etapa, queremos conocer su opinión sobre los cambios propuestos en la 20th Ave. S al sur de S 336th St. y los posibles beneficios asociados.

Responda la encuesta y obtenga información sobre las sesiones informativas casuales: soundtransit.org/omfs-20th-ave-spa



Questions? 질문이 있으신가요? Есть вопросы? ¿Tiene alguna pregunta?

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Appendix E: Survey Questions & Responses

***Please note:** Sound Transit welcomes feedback, but we do not accept comments that contain offensive or obscene language and those comments were either removed or redacted. Further, any comments that contained personal information have also been redacted.*

Report for OMF South Street Vacation 2024 - 077-032-003

Response Counts

Completion Rate:

100%



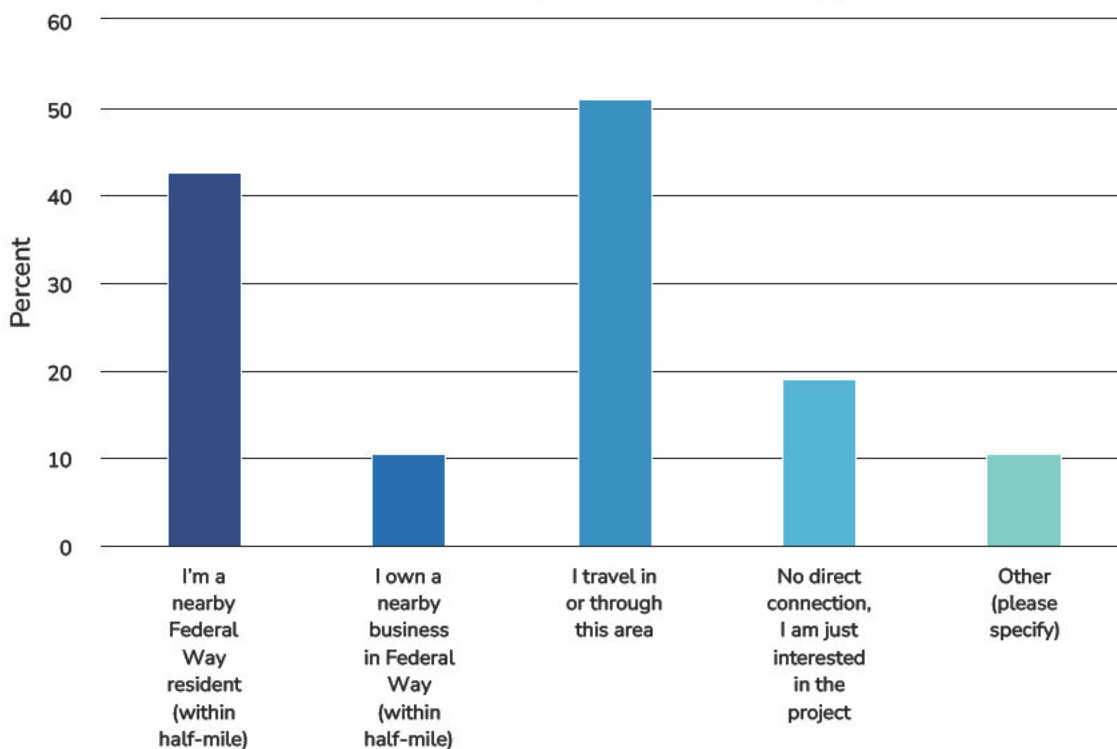
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Totals: 94

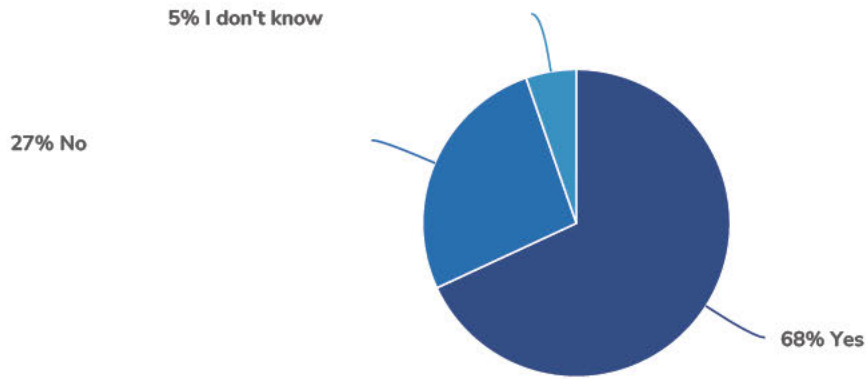
1. What best describes your connection to the area around the proposed street vacation (permanent closure) of 20th Avenue South from South 336th Street to South 341st Place? (check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
I'm a nearby Federal Way resident (within half-mile)	42.6%	40
I own a nearby business in Federal Way (within half-mile)	10.6%	10
I travel in or through this area	51.1%	48
No direct connection, I am just interested in the project	19.1%	18
Other (please specify)	10.6%	10

Other (please specify)	Count
live within one mile of project site	2
I go that way for dialysis traffic is going to be a nightmare	1
I live near by	1
Link Light Rail User	1
Use 20th to access Thornton F McElroy Masonic Center as there is limited access from the front.	1
don't block 336 weyer to 18	1
our facility is at [REDACTED] Moving will cost us triple the rent for a like facility.	1
own a condominium garage near area	1
owner of non-residential property located within a half-mile of OMFS	1
Totals	10

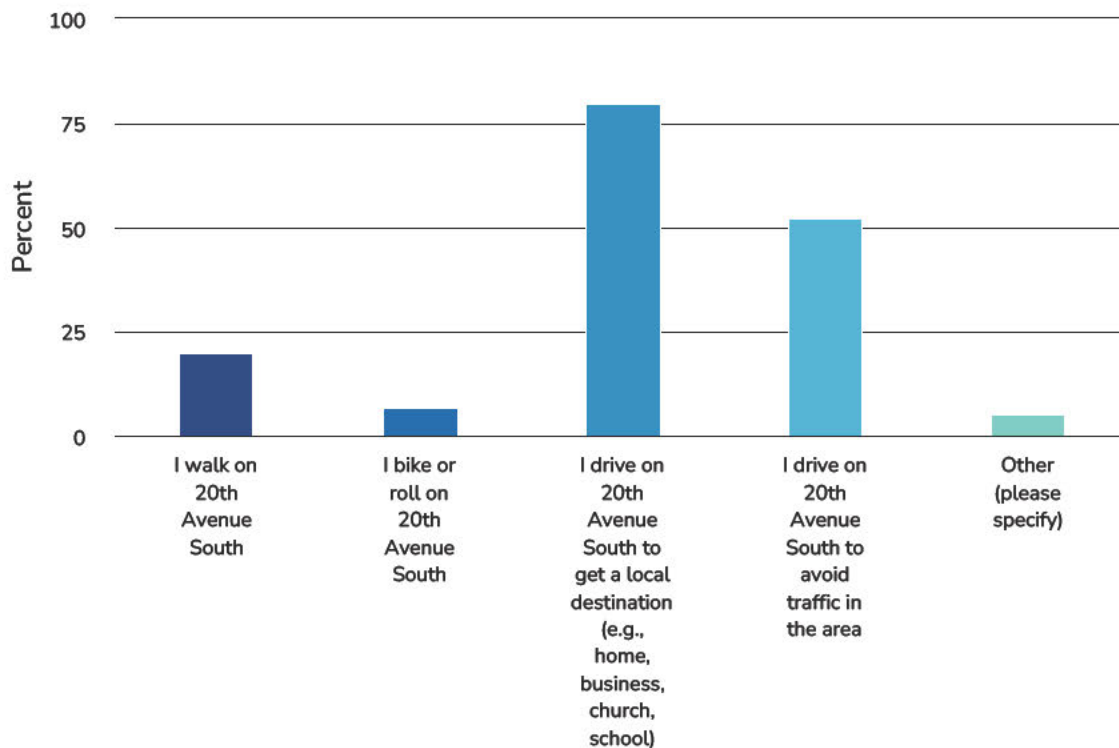
2. Have you walked, rolled, biked, or driven on this portion of 20th Avenue before?



Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	68.1%	64
No	26.6%	25
I don't know	5.3%	5

Totals: 94

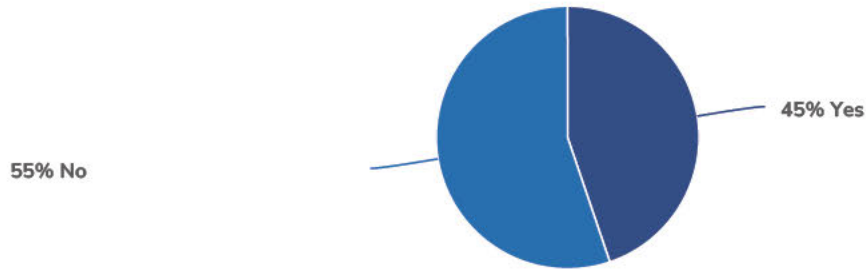
3. What do you primarily use 20th Avenue South for? (Select all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
I walk on 20th Avenue South	20.3%	12
I bike or roll on 20th Avenue South	6.8%	4
I drive on 20th Avenue South to get a local destination (e.g., home, business, church, school)	79.7%	47
I drive on 20th Avenue South to avoid traffic in the area	52.5%	31
Other (please specify)	5.1%	3

Other (please specify)	Count
More convenient, shorter to destination.	1
Travel to the Tool Library & the Masonic Center facility is located here	1
Totals	3

4. Do you have any comments about the proposal to close 20th Avenue South and extend 18th Place South?



Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	44.8%	39
No	55.2%	48

Totals: 87

5. Comments:

ResponseID Response

9	This location for OMF South is ridiculous. It impacts local businesses, residents, and displaces the like too. The Midway Landfill location would have been the perfect site for this facility with NO negative community impacts- in fact, it would have cleaned up an environmentally unsafe area in a low-income place. Instead, Sound Transit is displacing home owners and businesses, removing high paying jobs my retail business relies on for income, and removing a thoroughfare that will cause congestion. SHAME ON SOUND TRANSIT.
11	Go get [REDACTED] I DON'T WANT TO LIVE BY A [REDACTED] RAILYARD.
12	It would be best to eliminate the proposed 18th Place South extension entirely. Constructing the proposed 18th Place S extension will direct significant traffic through an already stressed residential neighborhood on the existing 18th Pl S. It would be better to direct traffic from S336th St onto Pacific Hwy S and traffic from S341st Pl onto 16th Ave S. This is where most traffic from N of S336th St ends up anyway, since further progress south is blocked by Hwy 18. Drop the extension and let the neighborhood south of OMFS become a quiet area once again.
13	Don't do it. Build at Midway site instead.
17	Substituting 18th for 20th is a good solution.
21	I think the multiuse path on 18th is a great idea. The residential community in that area is somewhat locked in and giving them access on foot to the businesses nearby would help. Residents there have really invested in their homes and neighborhood and being supported by the community with new public space will continue what they have started. It is also a much better walking artery than Highway 99 so provides a better north south walking/rolling path.
22	I prefer this industrial maintenance facility not to be built in this community because of how the noise at night. Are you also building a sound wall around the facility, including the west side? I have learned that noise travels after the hwy 18 west to S I-5 was built. The truck noise travels to 28th Ave S and 360th more than 2 miles away.
23	Traffic lights should be part of the proposal with lights on 18th at 336th and 334th including signaled crossings.
26	I fully support this plan
32	I would be affected because I live on 18th pl S and would have to find alternative routes

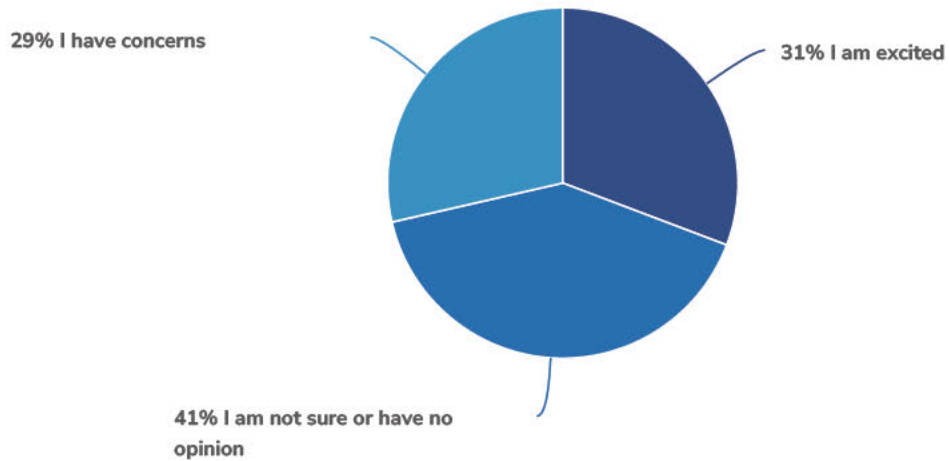
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- 34 It is unconscionable that Sound Transit is planning to take usable/livable land offline for homes and small businesses within the Urban Growth Area when a perfectly acceptable alternative location which is only usable for a light industrial use like the OMF is located along the tracks currently being built. The former landfill may require some extra costs in footing and soil stabilization but over the long term it is the best location to put it in an area where open land is being squeezed out and is of limited availability. Once again Sound Transit is looking only to the short term over what would be best for the area and the system as a whole over the long term.
- 35 It would be better to sweep the new connecting road over to reuse the existing 4 way intersection at 336th and 20th if possible, rather than forcing drivers (who will use this route as a north-south bypass to 99) to go through 2 signals making a left both directions.
- 36 Don't change.
- 38 I'm not sure but it looks like you are rerouting our businesses thru a small neighborhood with kids ? We currently use 21sr to go to HWY 18 via Weyerhaeuser Way
- 42 The road is low use now so close it down and build the facility over it.
- 44 Any seating and lighting needs to deter camping and criminal activity.
- 47 build it how and where you need to
- 50 Why is there a change in location all of a sudden?
- 52 You guys need to find a better solution! You guys are taking land/streets/homes etc. This is not what the public wanted when they voted for this!
- 54 I support these street vacations and extension as being necessary to carry out the preferred alternative for the OMF South project.
- 55 Not needed. Move the extension to Midway keep it out of Federal Way
- 58 I would not like this decision at all
- 59 There are too many displacements and concerns in regards to wetlands and water impact. We are concerned about the safety of the community and would like this to not be the preferred method.
- 60 Concerns in regards to wetlands and water impact, the safety of the community and would like this to not be the preferred method
- 65 I live on [REDACTED] Either proposal is o.k., but extending 20th looks better.
- 66 It's already to congested in this area to bring that many more people into the area.

ResponseID Response

73	I live on 18th Place South. The extension will increase the traffic on the street that any kids play in and around. We already have too many people cutting thru on our street going to Walmart. That extension would bring in more transients, more cars, and more problems for the homeowners on our street.
74	It's the only way around traffic when 99 is busy it's a quiet safe drive to go to Walmart the back way
76	I'm concerned about displacing businesses. A traffic light should be required at the 336th/18th intersection.
83	Best location.
84	The closure and extension of the 2 streets involved creates some but minimal inconvenience. These changes create very limited impact on our travel.
85	I support it. It would be nice to have more public space features to beautify this part of town
88	There are many children who rely on the school busses that stop on 18th place south, at every grade level. Make sure construction doesn't interfere with the route or the safety of the children.
96	I'm in favor of the proposed change.
98	It's is unfair to the church who has been established at this location for years. Please find an alternative location we are begging you
101	This project will negatively impact my business
102	-What is Christian Faith Center's (C.F.C.) ultimate fate? -What about the "Tool Library" south of C.F.C? The "Tool Library" is important to those of us that own homes and have to act as Republicans to personally maintain our homes due to the ever mounting "Property Tax Burden" king county places upon their LONG TIME RESIDENTS. -What about the added traffic congestion in that area? U.W.T.'s Urban Planning Program is failing the LONG TIME RESIDENTS of SOUTH KING COUNTY. -Why not turn the 'commons mall' into an INDUSTRIAL PARK? -Why is Sound Transit allowing and converting the "preferred alternative" (South King County) area into a huge INDUSTRIAL AREA? -After spending all of your budget in and around seattle, you have to be cheap and "penny pinch" in South King County?

6. How do you feel about the proposed multi-use path along the extended 18th Place South?



Value	Percent	Responses
I am excited	30.8%	28
I am not sure or have no opinion	40.7%	37
I have concerns	28.6%	26
		Totals: 91

7. Why?

ResponseID Response

9	This area is between two highways and near low income housing. It has always had a history of homelessness, drug use, high crime rates, etc. I drive here, but NEVER walk. Creating more green space and walkways will only be used by criminals for criminal activity. Plus, this whole facility should be built at the Midway Landfill anyway. Thousands of us gave Sound Transit this feedback, and we have not been listened to. SHAME ON SOUND TRANSIT.
10	Multi use paths are wonderful!
11	It' a [REDACTED] railyard in a residential neighborhood.
12	See previous comment.
17	It will provide access to the Tool Library & Masonic Center, which both need street access from the backside since access from the front is so limited.
19	Prefer this facility not be constructed in this, area. Sad to see the churches affected, businesses, and residents
21	It's a great alternative for walking and rolling to Highway 99, safer and quieter and less exhaust and more friendly
23	Improving Federal Way's alternative transportation routes should there be a major issue on the intersection of 16th and Pac Hwy will make a huge difference to the community safety.
24	more benches for homeless, and lowlifes to hang out... magnet for trouble.
27	More places for homeless to hang out, really not a benefit to your employees that will not feel safe to use/enjoy.
33	Homeless and drug users will populate the area and it will be another unsafe place for residents
35	Useless unless part of a larger planned network connecting to nearby stations.
36	There are two new complexes being built right now. Closing would create a massive back up. It's used to get to HWY 18, Peasley Canyon, Warehouser Ave. It's always crowded, what you purpose, would great a nightmare in a small area. BIG IMPACT
37	I intend to start bicycling in the area soon.
39	The area needs more bike / multi use paths
40	our cost of business increases

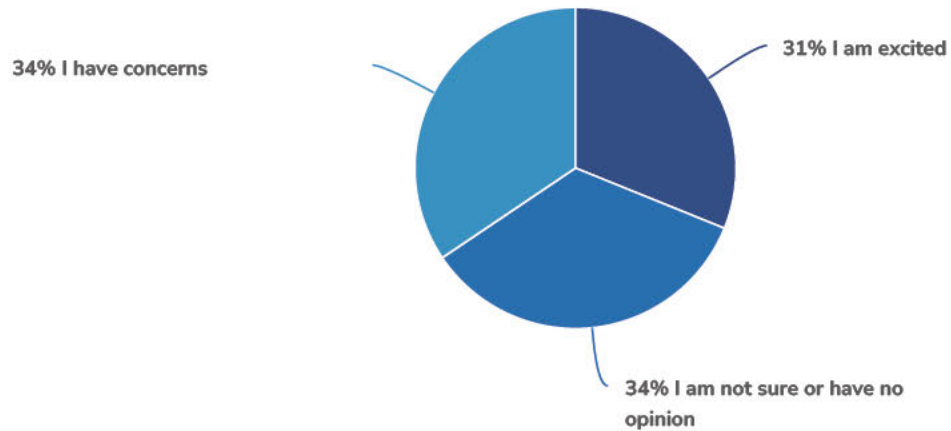
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42	Any pedestrian improvements are welcome.
44	I have concerns about the entire development in this location.
45	more space to utilize in our community
50	Health wise this could effect everyone's health in the area.
52	Relocating a street
53	I think it is an excellent idea. More pedestrian infrastructure and walkability is perfect.
54	Fixed, concretized bike facilities are always superior to painted facilities like sharrows.
55	Along with extension it will bring homeless. You would destroy church and Christian school to bring homeless and garbage here
58	It will cause more traffic jams and already we have far too much traffic on alternative routes.
59	Environment - water and wetlands. Air quality (my son suffers from asthma, this will cause even more concerns)
60	The air wr have to breathe is not clean.
65	It would seem more efficient to have 20th extended to the south, than have traffic turn at 18th.
67	a path is designed to connect. what is this connecting, and what benefit to the community does this connection provide?
68	I am excited because it allows for more open green spaces. If I'm wrong, then I have concerns.
70	You are giving us a road so we can stay off of the main roads. There are quite a few accidents on 336th and Pacific Highway.
71	The extension on 21st could adversely impact our property and the adjacent wetlands
75	My condo is on 336th. What will this do to my resale value. The noise, dirt and massive amount of trucks clogging our already congested roads. I worry about noise and wish there was some options for us to have more sound proofing. It's also a bit of a wetland and trees. We can't keep cutting down trees without consequences to the planet. My complex of 32 homes could be greatly affected by this.
77	If not connect with other paths then much less useful.
82	we need more trails

ResponseID Response

83	It's awesome and the best location. Multi use paths are wonderful
85	We need more walkable spaces in Federal Way
88	It'll be nice to have a dedicated path that's easier for my old dog to walk. Will it go by the existing pond/wetland? That would be nice.
91	Love multi use pathways
92	Options are always best.
97	More places to walk/bike that's separated from traffic.
99	The area needs some revitalization. I am slightly concerned about more potential for vagrants since there are a lot of residential units going up there
101	This area is already a hotbed of activity for drug use and unhoused people
102	Because, I wonder "What is going to happen to those of us that are being DISPLACED by Sound Transit's royal follies"?

8. How do you feel about the proposed public space along South 336th Street?



Value	Percent	Responses
I am excited	31.1%	28
I am not sure or have no opinion	34.4%	31
I have concerns	34.4%	31
		Totals: 90

9. Why?

ResponseID Response

9	Even worse, this is near Pac Hwy and has major issues with drugs, prostitution, and other crimes. It has always had a history of homelessness, drug use, high crime rates, etc. I drive here, but NEVER walk. Creating more green space and walkways will only be used by criminals for criminal activity. Plus, this whole facility should be built at the Midway Landfill anyway. Thousands of us gave Sound Transit this feedback, and we have not been listened to. SHAME ON SOUND TRANSIT.
10	Its always nice to have public spaces!
11	It's a [REDACTED] raiyard in a residential neighborhood.
12	OMFS is an industrial site, not a park destination.
17	We need open public spaces. I am concerned about whether the public will actually get to use the space - hoping the druggies and prostitutes don't take over.
19	Same as above
21	I think the train operations would be really interesting, especially for kids that are excited about trains, and having a viewing platform to watch is great.
22	Homeless people will take this over to sleep
23	Unless it is maintained regularly, the space will diminish. The maintenance costs of the spaces should be part of the proposal.
24	same as above
27	How will it be controlled, homeless removed - right down the road from day facility and where they currently live along i5
29	Homeless encampment
31	All the homeless that live in the woods there will take it over and it will not be safe for families. Save money and just build a wall
32	Because the only public space in the area is celebration park.
33	Homeless and drug users will populate the area and it will be another unsafe place for residents
34	You just killed the neighborhood with a rail yard, who is going to use an area that amounts to a widened sidewalk that is now in a location where noone has any reason to be walking through.

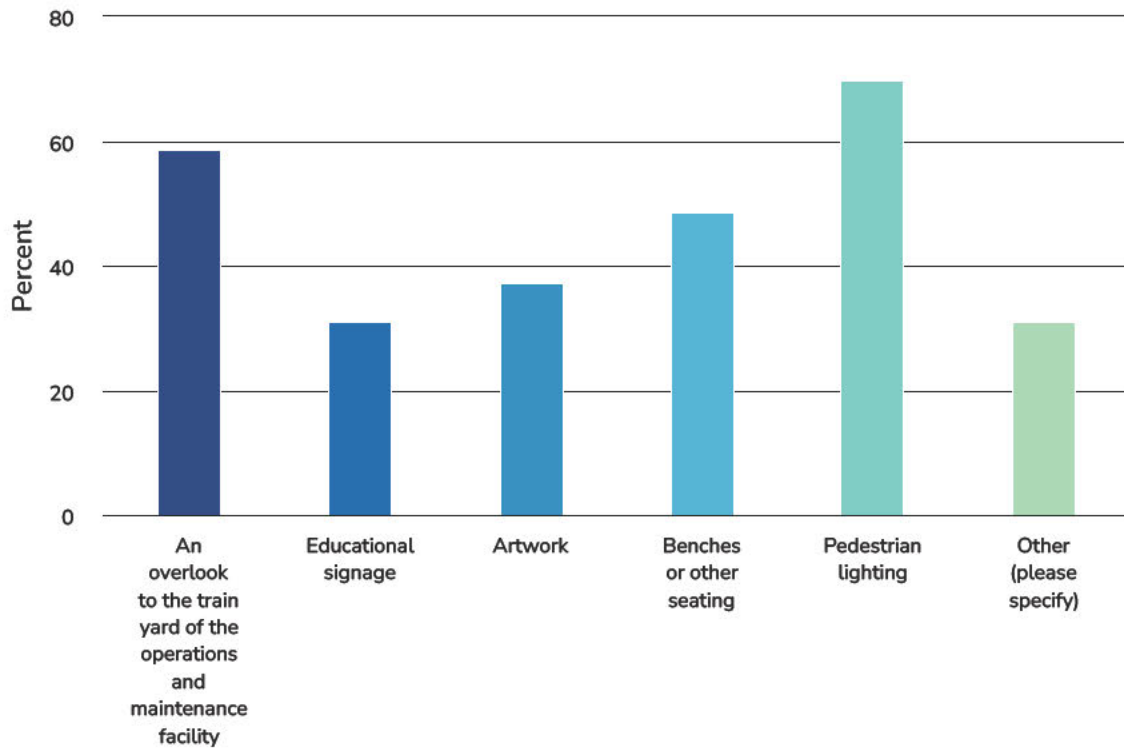
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36	There are two new complexes being buildt right now. Closing would create massive back up. It's used to get to HWY 18, Warehouse Ave. It's always crowded, what you purpose, would great a night mare in a small area. BIG IMPACT
37	As a "Rail Fan" I'd be interested in an overlook of the rail yard.
38	See above comments
40	same as above
42	Any pedestrian improvements are welcome.
44	I have concerns about this location being selected as the preferred location.
45	Improve the way the city looks to others
47	i like green places in cities
52	A new place for drug use and homeless to congregate.
53	I think it is an excellent idea. More pedestrian infrastructure and walkability is perfect.
54	It is an opportunity to plant more trees.
56	Homeless people frequently use 336th St S, east of Hwy 99 to I-5. There aren't encampments, only 1-2 people staying for a few nights here and there. The addition of anything in this area that is enticing to homeless people would not be favorable. A lot of concrete and lighting are ideal.
58	This would cause issues for residents in the area, it would be a place that has many safety and environmental concerns and would not be well for the city of Federal Way.
59	This is not a greenbelt if sound transit comes in
60	We want our small business to remain where they are at
61	Homeless takeover of it
64	That location is somewhat sketchy, the public use space would help bring more foot traffic and visibility along that roadway.
66	It's already to congested in this area to bring that many more people into the area.
67	seems to have no purpose.
68	Again, more community space means less developed and more green space.

ResponseID Response

70	It's right across the street from our condos. Hopefully there will be trees to block the view.
76	I don't think the space will be used by the general public, as there us no reason to frequent such a small area. Where would they park? It would be better to install tall trees along 336th to fully screen the OMF and potentially reduce noise impacts to the church and neighbors north of 336th.
77	Don't understand the purpose. Overlooking the facility? Seems like wasted space. Doesn't seem that this would be a real destination so believe wouldn't be utilized at a level that justifies it.
82	good idea
83	Best location.
85	Although I wouldn't exactly call this a park, we don't have enough public spaces to hang out at or for kids to play or public art
88	A public space is always beneficial. Again, it'll be a nice place to walk my old dog. Since it'll be new, it won't have fleas in the grass like the field by the church does
91	Love public spaces
92	This is so close to the very popular former Weyerhauser open fields. Creating easier access with the higher vehicle traffic that will come from the new facility.
95	It will be taken over by the homeless and drug addicts
96	There are a lot of homeless in the area ((I work there), and we frequently have to have the police chase them off. I fear the open space would become a magnet for a homeless tent city.
97	More finished spaces.
101	Same concern as above. Will attrateven more
102	Because, any added construction around the so called "Hylebos" wetlands is going to affect LONG TIME RESIDENTS of SOUTH KING COUNTY east of Interstate 5. The natural green vegetation that already exist is perfect.

10. What kind of features or amenities would you like to see in the design for the public space along South 336th Street? (select all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
An overlook to the train yard of the operations and maintenance facility	58.8%	47
Educational signage	31.3%	25
Artwork	37.5%	30
Benches or other seating	48.8%	39
Pedestrian lighting	70.0%	56
Other (please specify)	31.3%	25

Other (please specify)	Count
.Trees/plants - honor the original Weyerhaeuser green spaces theme to this area	1
Totals	24

Other (please specify)	Count
A commitment to keep homeless out of area	1
Cement or other sidewalk / handrailing art	1
Flowers and greenery.	1
Good wheelchair access ramps and curbs	1
I would not like to see any of these changes	1
I would not like to see any of these changes. I do not want Sound transit there.	1
Keep the area just as it is, currently.	1
More spaces for local businesses. We do not need green space- there are tons of parks in this area, and not much housing. What we need is a good place for business, especially with those being negatively impacted by this stupid OMF site decision. SHAME ON SOUND TRANSIT.	1
None	1
None. It will not be a safe place	1
Nothing, spare the effort and tax dollars.	1
Nothing- leave it alone	1
Opportunities for the public to come in and tour the OMF, if not set up a small store with sound transit merchandise	1
Parking	1
Picnic tables and bbqs	1
Safe place. Lots of homeless in our area and would want to make sure it's safe.	1
Security for the surrounding neighborhood	1
See my response above. I drive past the OMF in Seattle twice a week and it's just a fancy train yard, with nothing to recommend it as a destination.	1
Traffic is going to be cluttered	1
Why would anyone want to sit there or view the train yard!?	1
courtyards for people to gather at small events, parking for those who use the space	1
Totals	24

Other (please specify)**Count**

industry

1

maintain a green space

1

Totals

24

11. If Sound Transit includes the public space along South 336th Street, do you have any feedback about the following design theme: Transportation in Federal Way – Past, Present, and Future?

ResponseID	Response
9	What the [REDACTED] does that even mean? How cliché. How about "Federal Way, [REDACTED] by Sound Transit in the Past, Present, and Future"
11	How Federal Way Screws Over Its Residents
14	None at this time
17	Make it look pretty from the road as well as people on foot / bicycle
21	Whatever it is don't make it overly modern and hard edged just because that is the architectural style right now. Something organic and warm and rooted in nature
23	With the OMF here, we should look at what other features we can offer to in-town transit via street rail as part of ST expansions. For example, light rail to Brown's Point along Campus Way, down 320th and down Pac Hwy to improve connectivity downtown and in our communities.
33	A waste of money. You are already way over budget
36	DON'T CHANGE
42	Makes sense to tie in topics with a transit focus.
47	i do not have feedback
52	Security
53	transportation is an excellent theme
54	Sounds like a good theme to me. I would be interested in learning more about early road networks, and whether there was any rail-based transport in the immediate vicinity, such as logging railroads, etc.
58	We do not want sound transit in federal way.
59	How about sound transit finds a different location. Federal Way does not want you here.
60	No, thank you.
61	No
63	No

ResponseID Response

64	No
65	Don't allow it to become a magnet for transient tents and camping
67	Too vague, and one-sided. Need to show the disadvantages that are inherent in transportation options.
68	Need more connections to the Transit Center. An expanded network of buses and service to connect to rail.
70	no
75	Old trains, federal way history, possibly a small play area or a cool train for kids to plan on.
76	Doesn't excite me.
81	Design it so it does not entice illegal encampments
83	It's perfect.
84	No
85	I think a historical mural about the original tribes in this area would be great. We don't have anything like that in this region that shows native american history here - the villages here were burned down to force people onto the reservation. Would the Muckleshoot be interested in co-owning a history piece?
87	Where will the line enter and exit the site?
88	It sounds lame, but if it's done right, it could be pleasant. Federal Way isn't known for transportation. It's known for being a place where families live and the adults commute elsewhere to work. It's also know for it's parks and bodies of water.
90	please as a fed way resident who uses 336th to access hwy 18 via weyerhauser, please don't close this section for your construction It takes 25 minutes longer to access 18 by 348th and costco. Don't mess with 336th to weyerhauser to 18!!!!
91	sounds good
92	PLANTS - honor the proximity to former Weyerhauser protected green space
95	None
102	Nothing.

12. What aspects of transportation would you like to see celebrated at the public space along South 336th Street (such as history, technology, sustainability, etc.)?

ResponseID	Response
9	Everyone in FW uses cars- we have to. Sound Transit and King County have under invested and underfunded public transit here for decades, and we have no choice. The light rail will not change this- there are not enough buses to get people to the light rail. We will still be using our cars for the foreseeable future- and this coming from a young, liberal, environmentally concerned voter. Too little, too late Sound Transit. Had you used our tax money to fund the South Link when you should have (instead of the wealthy east side link, where one one is poor and needs public transit) I would feel differently, Instead, we had to sue to get our tax dollars back from Sound Transit and into our community, now 15 years late. To now dislocate residents here, it's an added insult. SHAME ON SOUND TRANSIT.
10	The efficiency of public transportation vs cars and the only true way to solve traffic
11	None
13	Nothing, spare the effort and tax dollars.
14	History
17	How about history of this type of transportation: horse drawn wagons, hoire drawn trolleys, electric trolleys, gas or electric rail cars (Sounder), and electric / battery light rail, etc.
21	A contrast over time between loading lumber onto a freight train in the past, to in the future a family boarding a high-speed bullet train to Vancouver British Columbia
23	A look back at the history of transportation needs in Federal Way, including how we were a Trucking Hub for so many years.
33	See above
42	All areas listed.
47	history and technology sound good. any chance you could have an antique train positioned as a display piece?
52	none
53	technology, history, goals of sound transit

ResponseID Response

54 History for sure. And obviously there is an opportunity to interpret what people who look at the OMF via the overlook are seeing - like an explanation of how the electricity from the catenary is transformed into the turning wheels of the railcars. And, yes, saying something about the sustainability commitments of Sound Transit (like explaining how Sound Transit's electricity is produced) would be good.

58 None

59 How about original business and residents to have the area to themselves?

60 N/A

61 None

63 Diversity

65 Maybe a display of the old interurban system

67 feature vignettes of those locals who were negatively affected by the project.....preserve the memory of their sacrifice.

68 History of Metro and the Federal Way Transit Hub- History of the Indigenous people of the area we now call Federal Way. Since this history is not taught in schools. It is a way to thank the indigenous people for allowing us to reside here although it was originally forcibly taken.

70 Well, we are under the flight path so maybe planes. We are next to I-5 so maybe cars. We will have a train coming right next to us so maybe a train. It's a bicycle route so maybe bikes.

75 Trains of past, present and future. And please have trees as a buffer and add more oxygen to our air.

76 None

81 History

83 Nothing keep it simple and inexpensive

85 I think a historical mural about the original tribes in this area would be great. We don't have anything like that in this region that shows native american history here - the villages here were burned down to force people onto the reservation. Would the Muckleshoot be interested in co-owning a history piece?

88 Rapid growth. In the last 50 years, Federal Way has gone from a small town to a bustling metropolis (almost). This city has enough students to fill 4 high schools! Apartment buildings are popping up everywhere! Now, we have the transportation to support that growth.

ResponseID Response

90 see above

91 history, technology, sustainability

92 history of light rail

95 None

102 Nothing.

13. Are there other aspects about the City of Federal Way and/or your neighborhood we should draw inspiration from to reflect your community character or interests in the design of the public space?

ResponseID Response

9 I would get it through your heads that we are people who like transit, and want more transit options, but we are disgusted with Sound Transit- the waste of money, the project delays, the decisions that put profit and wealth over the good of our local communities. You will not get a warm reception here.

11 None

13 Nothing, spare the effort and tax dollars.

14 No

17 The Hylebos, the Denny Cabin, our Lakes (we have a lot), rhododendrons, Bonsai, water / mountains / clouds.

21 The many green spaces and large amount of shoreline and water views. Federal Way is bucolic and green and full of quiet natural spaces and we should celebrate that

23 Inclusion should be a part of the theme. Both native and historical settler use, a look back over time of the area, and the continued growth of our community into the future.

27 A clean, healthy city with folks happy to live here not afraid

33 FW is unsafe and this area would fall to ruin quickly

42 Embrace anything local and are there opportunities to partner with the nearby Pacific Bonsai Museum or Weyerhaeuser?

50 N/A

52 Read my earlier comment

54 I'm not a resident of Federal Way or the neighborhood, so I have no particular comment on this.

56 Any artwork is likely to be destroyed by graffiti. So proactively addressing that issue will be key. I'm assuming there will be a fence or concrete wall bordering S 336th Street between the public space and the street. Avoid any mural on this wall/fence. it will be "tagged" by local gangs and hooligans before the project is finished. This is not downtown Seattle, we prefer to see green in Federal Way. Please plant as many trees as possible in the public space to disguise this wall/fence. Also, a trailing plant like ivy (or a less invasive plant) could be planted next to the wall, to grow up the wall.

58 No


ResponseID Response

59	Why do big businesses get the say on things? You guys have the money to spend so go build it in Kent rather than federal way and leave our businesses and homes to us.
60	N/A
61	No
63	No
65	Historical photos from early Federal Way
68	The Greenbelts by me is in an inspiration. Highlight the natural trees and plants of the area- a horticultural portrait of the plant species. Highlight the ethnic diversity of the City.
70	We have raccoons, bunnies, birds and squirrels around here. So maybe wildlife.
76	Federal Way has been known for its trees. I think replacing some of those and explaining them would be nice. And help with carbon offset of OMF employees commuting to the site every day. What about some beautiful cherry trees like at the UW that would actually draw people to the public space?
81	Celebrate the diversity of Federal Way.
83	No just focus on safety.
85	I think a historical mural about the original tribes in this area would be great. We don't have anything like that in this region that shows native american history here - the villages here were burned down to force people onto the reservation. Would the Muckleshoot be interested in co-owning a history piece?
88	Diversity, both in people and biodiversity in nature. This public space will be very close to the Weyerhaeuser property, know for its walking paths and biodiversity. It'll also be close to the Latino Cultural Center, El Centro.
90	see above
92	Weyerhaeuser main campus and rhododendron garden
93	Native Americans
102	Nothing.

14. Do you have any additional comments about the potential street vacation or suggestions for potential public benefits to share with Sound Transit or the City of Federal Way?

ResponseID	Response
9	No. I have said enough.
11	As someone who lives a block away from this future monstrosity I will receive zero benefits.
12	Public spaces in the area attract vagrants and illegal activity. Plan increased Police patrols around the OMFS to limit the impact of this undesirable consequence.
13	No.
14	No
18	[REDACTED]
20	[REDACTED]
21	I am excited that 344th will no longer be a dead end as the end of that street has been a trouble zone. It will also be great to have more walking and biking traffic through the area to the new light rail station and to the shops.
23	20th isn't a highly used road, but there are still homes and families who will be affected. Before closing the road ensure you've completed any alternative routes fully first. 18th should be expanded to support up to 4 lanes of traffic in its future making sure to compensate families accordingly. The goal should be to limit impact in any future use of the space, adding bike lanes, center turn lanes, etc. Do not add roundabouts.
35	Integrate with ped/bike improvements between federal way and s federal way stations and hopefully improved connections to former Weyerhaeuser campus
36	There are two new complexes being buildt right now. Closing would create a massive back up. It's used to get to HWY 18, Warehouser Ave. It's always crowed, what you purpose, would great a night mare in a small area. BIG IMPACT
42	The faster this can be built the better.
47	remember the value of public restrooms.
50	Why not select another location?
52	None
53	having the train yard be viewable from the footpath would be a major boon towards public transparency and visibility

ResponseID Response

54	I would love a pedestrian/bike bridge to be built across I-5 in the vicinity. The more connections across I-5 the better.
58	We don't want these changes
59	The City of Federal Way needs to stand up and say no to this project! We want our city to stay community based not have a big business come in and take over our wetlands, ruin our air quality, and make a huge environmental impact. We want to celebrate small businesses and homes of the people who have been on the area. Sound transit has more than enough funds to be elsewhere. Let's keep our city community based.
60	N/A
61	What is going to happen to all the businesses that are in that area? Will they get financial help to relocate.
63	No
68	None. Thanks for the opportunity to provide input. I'm excited about the opening of the Federal Way Link. Thank you for the herculean task of providing equitable access to transportation. Next up is extending it to Olympia and North to Bellingham.
70	Please don't make it difficult to get in and out of our condos. I'm a senior and I need to get to appointments.
72	I am concerned that the people who currently live along 20th Ave S are compensated fairly for their property if you close that road.
75	More trees, rhodies and things that will be pretty.
76	See responses above.
77	I'm a bigger fan of the alternative location at the midway landfill which would turn a negative space into a positive space. Demolition a community resource in the church plus houses and the like seems less ideal.
83	Just keep it simple and practical. But make it nice and safe.
84	
85	The suggested changes would have minimal or no impact on the community because the alternate routes provided should provide the same access as before.
88	I live on 18th Place South. If you're not going to buy us out, then please just give us a heads up in advance when you'll be using our street so we can plan ahead and still get to school and work on time.
90	see above

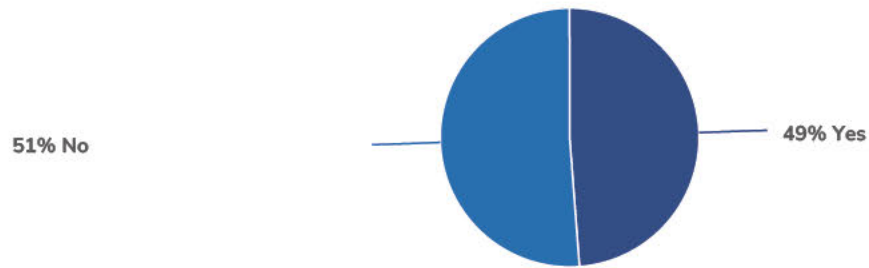
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91 Please run the one line from Tacoma to Everett without a diversion to ballard or west seattle. Please create a regional transit and rail hub at King/Union/International District Stations.

101 Why you chose to make federal way your dumping ground and impact business and homes I will never kniw

102 Both Sound Transit and the City of Federal Way are just adding to the already congestion in South King County. Turning SOUTH KING COUNTY into an INDUSTRIAL AREA is not a concerning issue for LONG TIME RESIDENTS being forced out, not part of "a population that is representative of the community"? Where are we, the old people going to go, when traffic congestion, cost of living and taxes, become overwhelming?

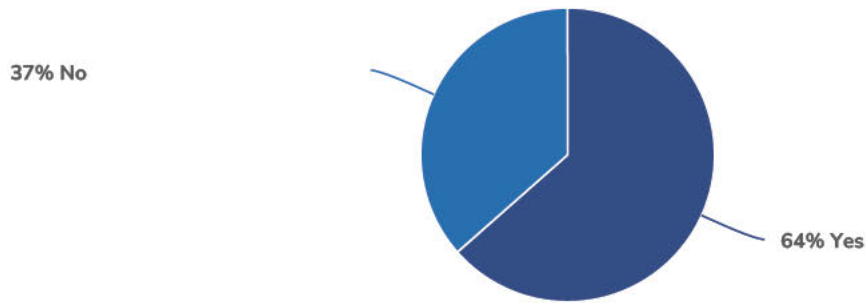
16. Would you like to sign-up for email updates about the OMF South project?



Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	48.8%	41
No	51.2%	43

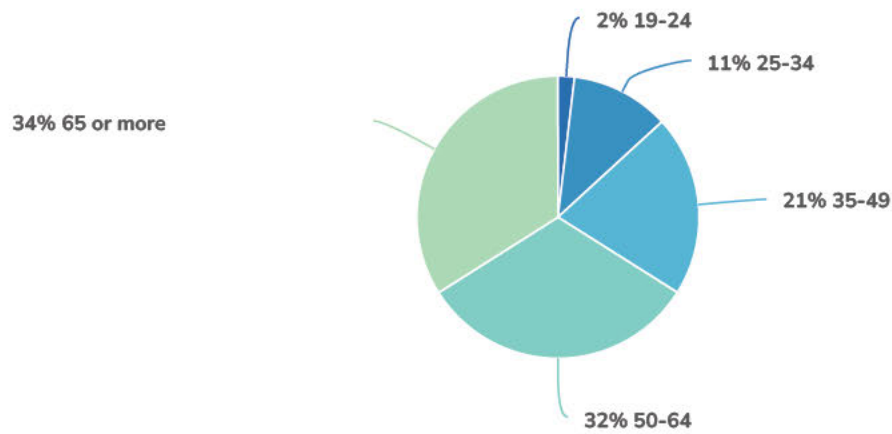
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18. Would you like to answer some demographic questions? Including information about yourself will help Sound Transit better understand if we are engaging a population that is representative of the community.



Value	Percent	Responses
Yes	63.5%	54
No	36.5%	31
		Totals: 85

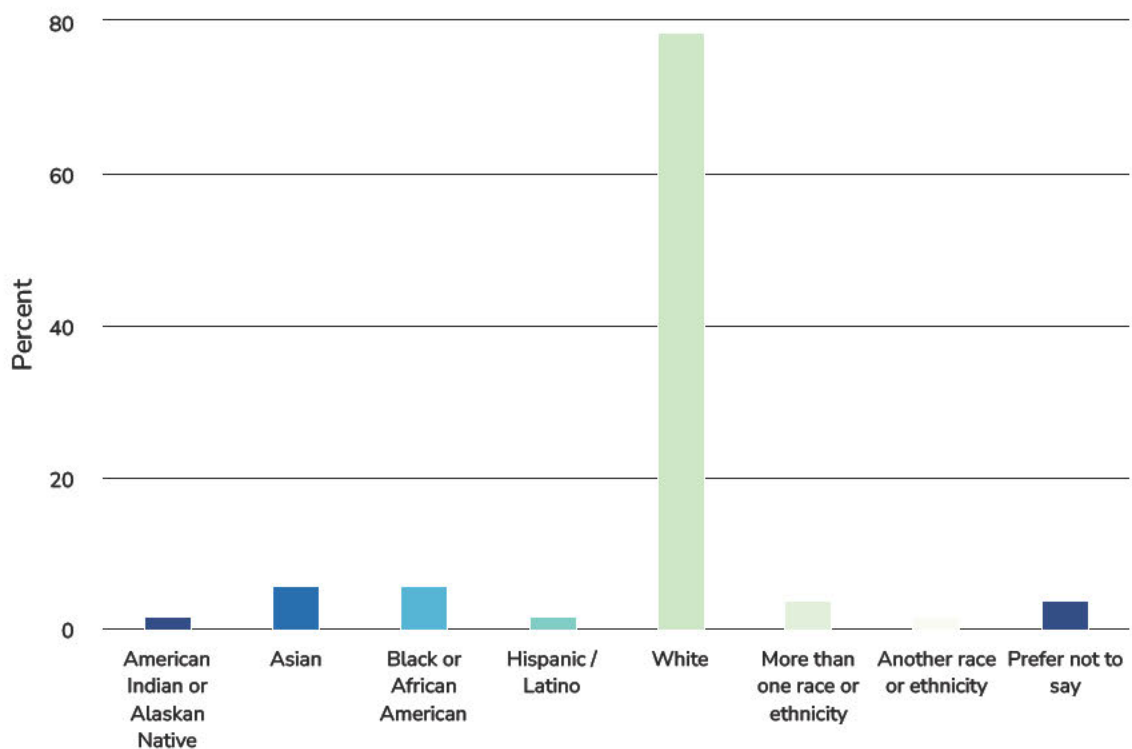
19. What is your age?



Value	Percent	Responses
19-24	1.9%	1
25-34	11.3%	6
35-49	20.8%	11
50-64	32.1%	17
65 or more	34.0%	18

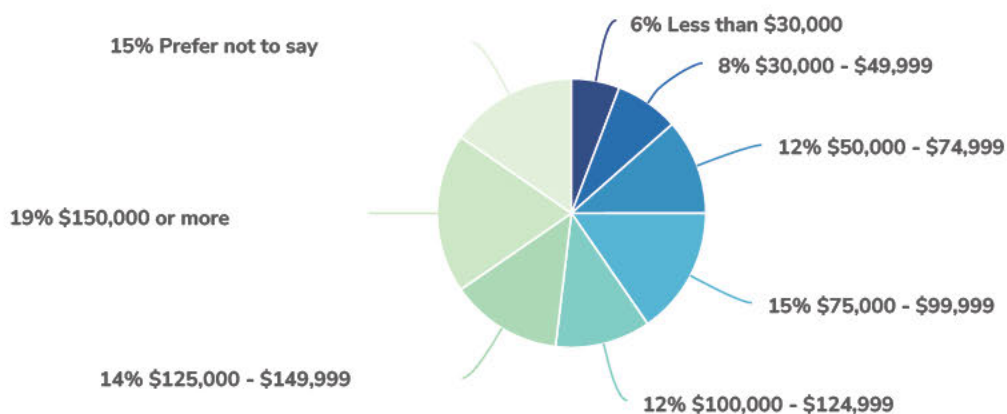
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20. What race or ethnicity do you consider yourself? (check all that apply)



Value	Percent	Responses
American Indian or Alaskan Native	1.9%	1
Asian	5.8%	3
Black or African American	5.8%	3
Hispanic / Latino	1.9%	1
White	78.8%	41
More than one race or ethnicity	3.8%	2
Another race or ethnicity	1.9%	1
Prefer not to say	3.8%	2

21. What is your household's total annual earnings?



Value	Percent	Responses
Less than \$30,000	5.8%	3
\$30,000 - \$49,999	7.7%	4
\$50,000 - \$74,999	11.5%	6
\$75,000 - \$99,999	15.4%	8
\$100,000 - \$124,999	11.5%	6
\$125,000 - \$149,999	13.5%	7
\$150,000 or more	19.2%	10
Prefer not to say	15.4%	8

Totals: 52