

COMMUNITY SURVEY &
RESULTS

2015 Alfred Village and Town Comprehensive Plan Survey

The Town and Village of Alfred are in the process of updating the joint 2004 Comprehensive Plan. A Comprehensive Plan describes the history, current state and future vision for the community and is the basis for local zoning. It acts as a guide to future growth and development while promoting the health and safety, and general welfare of the community. A Comprehensive Plan should reflect the ideas and opinions of the community members, thus the participation of all community members - residents, property owners, business owners, students - is critically important to this process.

Please take some time to answer these survey questions. Responses will be kept anonymous. If you need more room for your answers, feel free to use an attachment.

1. Check the following (all that apply):

- I am a resident of the Village _____ Town of Alfred _____ I
own property in the Village _____ Town of Alfred _____ I
rent property in the Village _____ Town of Alfred _____ I
rent out property in the Village _____ Town of Alfred _____
I am a business owner in the Village _____ Town of Alfred _____
I work in the Village _____ Town of Alfred _____
I am a student at Alfred State _____ Alfred University _____

2. What do you value most about the Town and/or Village of Alfred? Check all that apply.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Rural Setting | <input type="checkbox"/> Overall Quality of Life |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Small Town Character | <input type="checkbox"/> Friendly Community |
| <input type="checkbox"/> College Town | <input type="checkbox"/> Open Spaces and Natural Areas |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic Buildings | <input type="checkbox"/> Recreational Facilities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Local Businesses | <input type="checkbox"/> Village Services |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Town Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Safe Community |

Additional Values:

3. What are the strengths/assets of the Town and Village?

4. What do you see as potential areas of development or improvement that the Town and/or Village should pursue?

5. What one change (or no change) would you like to see in our community in the next 5-10 years?

6. Please rate the importance of the following services.

	Town of Alfred			Village of Alfred		
	Very Important	Important	Not Important	Very Important	Important	Not Important
Road Maintenance						
Fire and Ambulance Protection						
Police Protection						
Code Enforcement						
Water Service						
Sewage Treatment						
Garbage Collection						
Streetlights and Sidewalks						
Pedestrian and Bike Paths						
High Speed Internet Services						
Local Libraries						
Parks and Recreation						
Watershed Protection						
Street Landscaping (planters, mowing)						

Additional Comments:

7. What do you consider to be the most pressing challenges facing the Town and/or Village of Alfred?

8. Any other comments?

Questions about this survey or the Comprehensive Plan can be directed to Peter McClain at alfredcentremcclain@gmail.com.

Surveys need to be returned by September 18, 2015. Completed surveys can be mailed to the Alfred Town Clerk, P.O. Box 230, Alfred Station, NY 14803 or the Village Town Clerk, 7 West University Street, Alfred, NY 14802. If you would like to receive email updates during the comprehensive planning process, please provide your email address below.

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The following shows a summary of the answers collected from the 2015 Comprehensive Plan Survey. The surveys were mailed out to residents, and available at certain locations in the Town and Village. Questions and comments on the survey and comprehensive plan were directed to Mr. Peter McClain.

1. Check the following (all that apply):

I am a resident of	59	the Village	26	the Town
I own property in	51	the Village	28	the Town
I rent property in	11	the Village	1	the Town
I am a proprietor in	9	the Village	9	the Town
I am a business owner in	3	the Village	5	the Town
I work in	39	the Village	11	the Town
I am a student at	15	at Alfred State College	18	at Alfred University

2. What do you value most about the Town and/or Village of Alfred? Check all that apply.

Rural setting	68	Overall quality of life	26
Small town character	86	Friendly community	28
College town	78	Natural & open spaces	1
Historic buildings	48	Area recreational facilities	9
Local businesses	56	Village services	5
Town services	25	Safe community	11

3. What are the strengths/assets of the Town and Village?

Alfred-Almond Central School	2	Libraries	2
Arts	6	Post Office	1
Bicycling	1	Open Spaces	9
Colleges	26	Rural Setting	38
Community	50	Safety	20
Farmer's Market	3	Small Businesses	14
Fire & Ambulance	4	Town Services	8
History	7	Village Services	11
Housing	2	Volunteerism	7

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4. What do you see as potential areas of development or improvement that the Town and/or Village should pursue?

Business diversity	50	Recycling	3
Events	4	Shared Services	6
Historic	7	Signage	1
Housing	10	Taxes	6
Infrastructure	14	Town/Gown	18
Main Street appearance	9	Volunteerism	2
Public spaces	14		

5. What one change (or no change) would you like to see in our community in the next 5-10 years?

Budget	22	Environmental Preservation	1
Business Development	15	Rural Setting	6
Energy Efficiency	1	Taxes	36
Housing	20	Town/Gown	30
Municipal Services	23	Transient Population	6
Parking	2	Volunteerism	1

6. Please rate the importance of the following services.

Services	Town of Alfred			Village of Alfred		
	Very Important	Important	Not Important	Very Important	Important	Not Important
Road Maintenance	39	42	1	41	51	2
Fire and Ambulance Protection	69	12	2	76	21	0
Police Protection	50	23	74	69	24	3
Code Enforcement	28	46	5	40	46	10
Water Service	54	17	5	69	25	0
Sewage Treatment	43	25	4	67	25	1
Garbage Collection	27	36	11	48	39	7
Streetlights and Sidewalks	20	42	12	43	46	3
Pedestrian and Bike Paths	16	41	18	27	42	20
High Speed Internet Services	34	28	14	42	36	16
Local Libraries	19	41	17	34	48	12
Parks and Recreation	20	47	12	26	56	10
Watershed Protection	35	36	5	41	44	5
Street Landscaping (planters, mowing)	15	41	20	18	62	14

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7. What do you consider to be the most pressing challenges facing the Town and/or Village of Alfred?

Budget	22	Town/Gown	30
Business Development	15	Transient Population	6
Energy Efficiency	1	Volunteers	1
Housing	20	Environmental Preservation	1
Municipal Services	23	Rural Setting	6
Parking	2	Taxes	36

8. Any other comments?

There were no additional comments provided.