

## Housing Focus Group of the Monadnock Region

The Community Research Center (CRC) at Keene State College is conducting a survey for the Housing Focus Group of the Monadnock Region. The purpose of this survey is to collect data about housing availability and affordability in the Greater Keene area. Completing this questionnaire is important because it will assist community leaders as they address local housing needs.

Your place of employment was selected for the survey as a result of its membership with the Chamber of Commerce. Your responses will be completely anonymous, so we hope that you will feel free to answer each question openly. CRC staff will not be able to identify you or your place of business. Please mark or write your response to each statement or question directly on the questionnaire. After completing the questionnaire, which should take less than 15 minutes, please place the survey in the attached envelope and seal it. A CRC staff person will retrieve the surveys from a designated representative of your business in an unmarked envelope.

*Thank you for your assistance!*

## QUESTIONNAIRE

### DEMOGRAPHIC INFORMATION

1) What is your sex?

Male

Female

2) What is your age? \_\_\_\_\_

3) Are you currently a college student? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

4) What is your marital status?

Married

Widowed

Divorced

Separated

Never married

5) What town do you reside in? \_\_\_\_\_

6) How far do you travel to work, **in miles one way?** \_\_\_\_\_

7) How many people live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

8) How many dependents live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

9) How many **employed** adults live in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

10) What is your household status?

Married

\_\_\_\_\_ With children under 18 years

\_\_\_\_\_ With no children under 18 years

Single male head of household

\_\_\_\_\_ With children under 18 years

\_\_\_\_\_ With no children under 18 years

Single female head of household

\_\_\_\_\_ With children under 18 years

\_\_\_\_\_ With no children under 18 years

Unmarried couple, living together

\_\_\_\_\_ With children under 18 years

\_\_\_\_\_ With no children under 18 years

**HOUSING INFORMATION**

11) Do unrelated individuals live in your house? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

11a) If you answered "yes," how many individuals are adults? \_\_\_\_\_

11b) How many individuals are children? \_\_\_\_\_

12) Do you share the cost of housing with another individual(s)? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

12a) If you answered yes, please check any of the following that apply to you:

- I share the cost of housing with my spouse/partner.
- I share the cost of housing with other relatives that live in my house.
- I share the cost of housing with unrelated individuals that live in my house.
- I share the cost of housing with relatives or unrelated individuals that do not live in my house.

13) Do you \_\_\_\_\_ rent, \_\_\_\_\_ own, or \_\_\_\_\_ have another housing arrangement? (Check one)

14) What type of housing do you live in?

- Apartment
- Townhouse
- Mobile Home
- Condominium
- Single Family Home
- Other (Please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

15) How long have you resided in this home? \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months

16) How long did it take you to find your present home? \_\_\_\_\_ Years \_\_\_\_\_ Months

17) What challenges did you encounter while looking for your home?

(Please specify)

18) How much is your rent or mortgage per month (include property taxes)? \$ \_\_\_\_\_

19) If renting, is your rental subsidized? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

20) What percent of your monthly household take-home income do you set aside to pay for your rent or mortgage? \_\_\_\_\_%

21) At present, do you consider your housing to be affordable? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

(If no, please explain)

**INCOME**

22) How often are you paid?

Job #1

- Weekly  
 Twice a month  
 Once a month

Job #2

- Weekly  
 Twice a month  
 Once a month

Job #3

- Weekly  
 Twice a month  
 Once a month

23) What is your individual *monthly, take-home* income? (Please include all sources of income including child support, alimony, TANF, pension, social security, rental income, dividends, etc.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> \$0 - \$500       | <input type="checkbox"/> \$2,001 - \$2,500 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$4,001 - \$5,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$501 - \$1,000   | <input type="checkbox"/> \$2,501 - \$3,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$5,001 - \$6,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,001 - \$1,500 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$3,001 - \$3,500 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$6,001 - \$7,000 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,501 - \$2,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$3,501 - \$4,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$7,001 +         |

24) What is the combined *monthly, take-home* income for all members of your household? (Please include all sources of income including child support, alimony, TANF, pension, social security, rental income, dividends, etc.)

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**SATISFACTION WITH HOUSING****Please note if your housing situation is acceptable or not in the following areas:**

25) General housing situation \_\_\_\_\_ acceptable \_\_\_\_\_ unacceptable

If general housing situation is unacceptable, please explain.

26) Size of your home \_\_\_\_\_ acceptable \_\_\_\_\_ unacceptable

If size of your home is unacceptable, please explain.

27) Location of your home \_\_\_\_\_ acceptable \_\_\_\_\_ unacceptable

If location of your home is unacceptable, please explain.

28) Quality of your neighborhood \_\_\_\_\_ acceptable \_\_\_\_\_ unacceptable

If quality of your neighborhood is unacceptable, please explain.

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