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# EAST WOOSTER STREET CORRIDOR STUDY

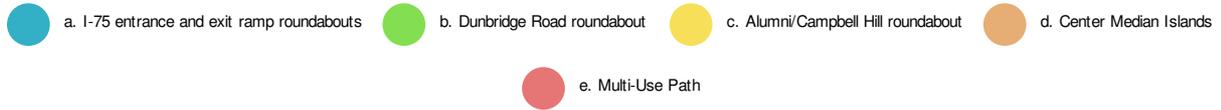
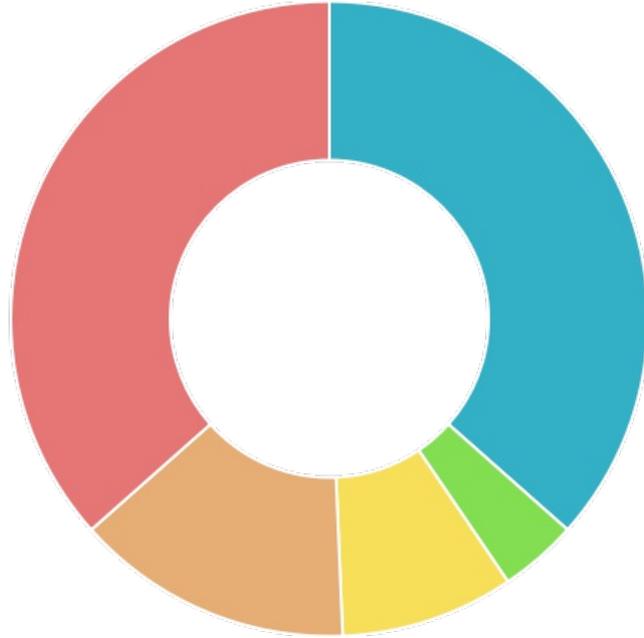
## Community Input Survey Results



February 1, 2016

## What is the first item of the concept plan that should be constructed?

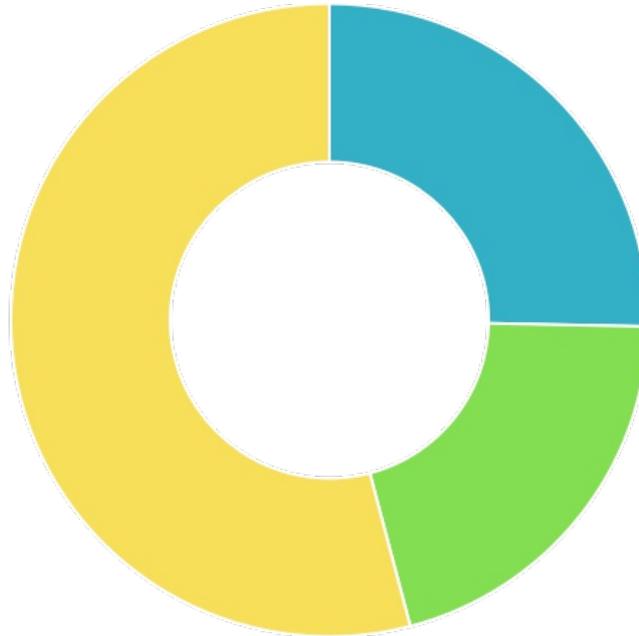
	<span style="color: #00A0C0;">●</span> a. I-75 entrance and exit ramp roundabouts	<span style="color: #90EE90;">●</span> b. Dunbridge Road roundabout	<span style="color: #FFD700;">●</span> c. Alumni/Campbell Hill roundabout	<span style="color: #D2691E;">●</span> d. Center Median Islands	<span style="color: #DC143C;">●</span> e. Multi-Use Path	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	83 (37%)	9 (4%)	20 (9%)	32 (14%)	83 (37%)	31.55	227



Aesthetic upgrades and landscaping account for more than 25% of the estimated project cost.

Should aesthetic upgrades and landscaping be:

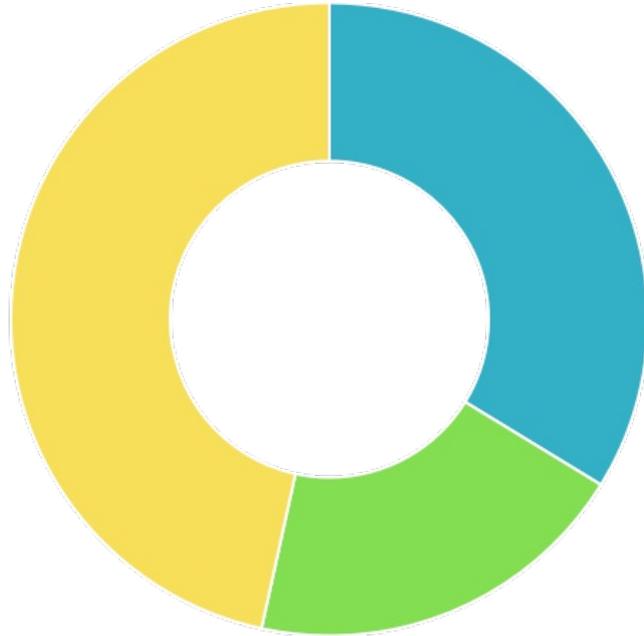
	<span style="color: #00A0C0;">●</span> a. Minimized to save money	<span style="color: #76D7C4;">●</span> b. Increased to further enhance the project appearance even though costs will increase	<span style="color: #F1C232;">●</span> c. Remain at level shown	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	59 (25%)	48 (21%)	126 (54%)	34.47	233



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## Are ornamental street lighting upgrades necessary?

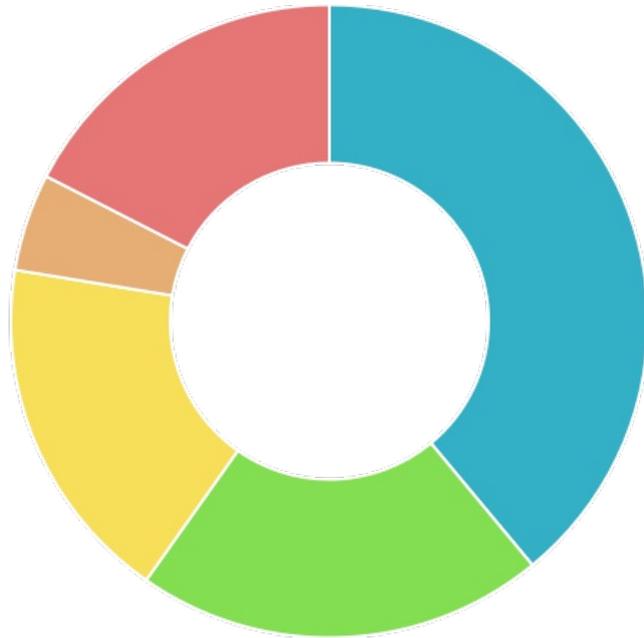
	<span style="color: #00A0C0;">●</span> a. Yes, current street lighting is inadequate	<span style="color: #76D7C4;">●</span> b. No, current street lighting is adequate	<span style="color: #F1C232;">●</span> c. It would look nice, but should not be a high priority	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	79 (34%)	46 (20%)	109 (47%)	25.73	234



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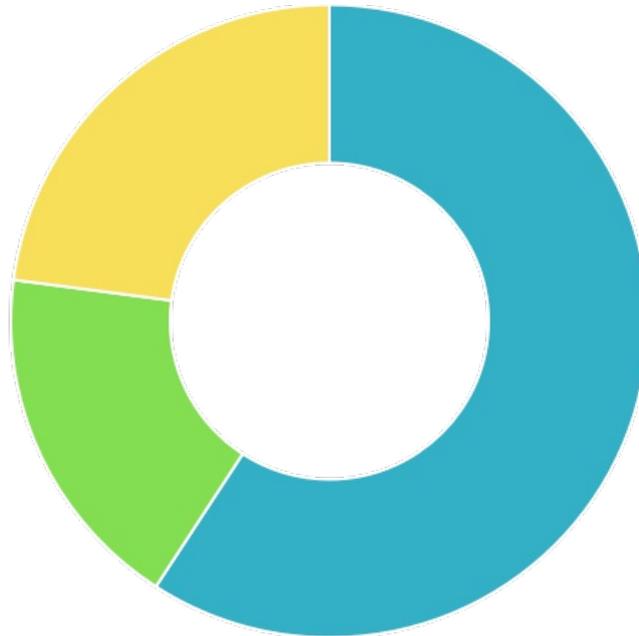
## How comfortable are you with using a roundabout?

	<span style="color: #00A0C0;">●</span> a. Very comfortable	<span style="color: #76D7C4;">●</span> b. Comfortable	<span style="color: #FDD835;">●</span> c. Somewhat comfortable	<span style="color: #C08060;">●</span> d. Very uncomfortable	<span style="color: #E57373;">●</span> e. I would avoid the area just to avoid the roundabouts	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	94 (39%)	50 (21%)	43 (18%)	12 (5%)	42 (17%)	26.37	241



Do you understand how to enter and exit the business driveways on the south side of East Wooster Street if the proposed roundabouts and center median island are constructed?

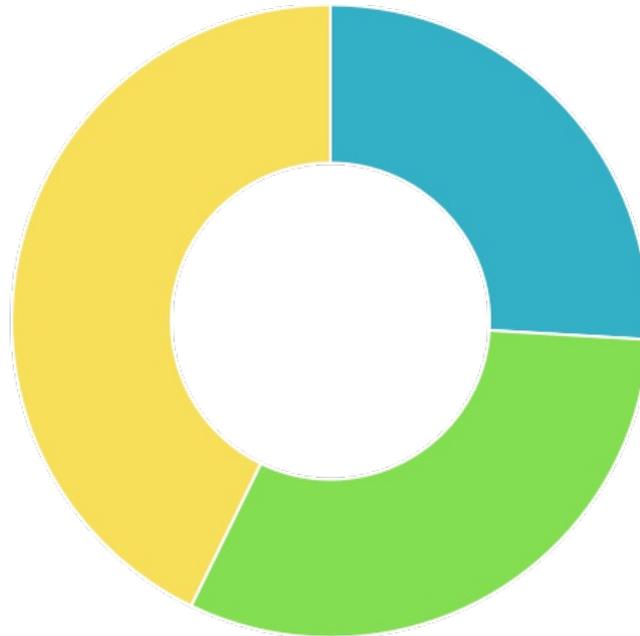
	<span style="color: #00A0C0;">●</span> a. Yes	<span style="color: #76D7C4;">●</span> b. No	<span style="color: #FDD835;">●</span> c. Maybe	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	142 (59%)	43 (18%)	55 (23%)	44.11	240



● a. Yes    ● b. No    ● c. Maybe

If driving on I-75, how important is it to be able to see commercial business signs from I-75 well in advance of the exit ramp?

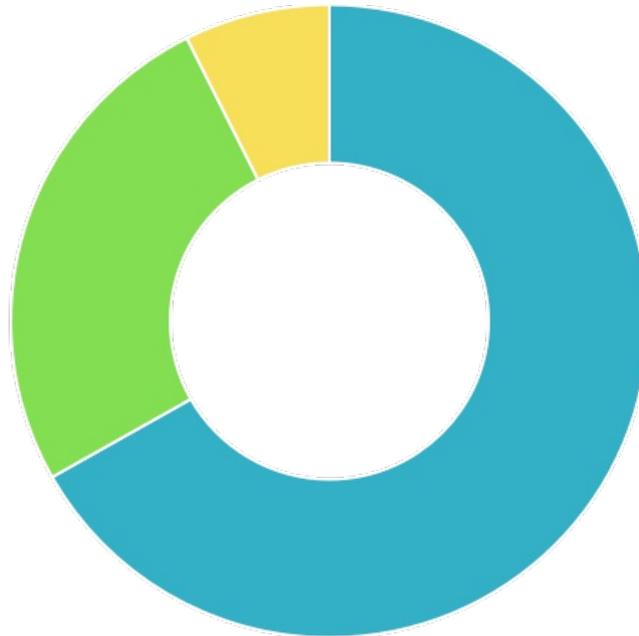
	<span style="color: #00A0C0;">●</span> a. Very Important	<span style="color: #76D7C4;">●</span> b. Important	<span style="color: #F1C232;">●</span> c. Not Important	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	63 (26%)	76 (31%)	104 (43%)	17.11	243



● a. Very Important    ● b. Important    ● c. Not Important

How important are ODOT service signs announcing businesses (gas stations, restaurants, hotels, etc.) at the next freeway exit?

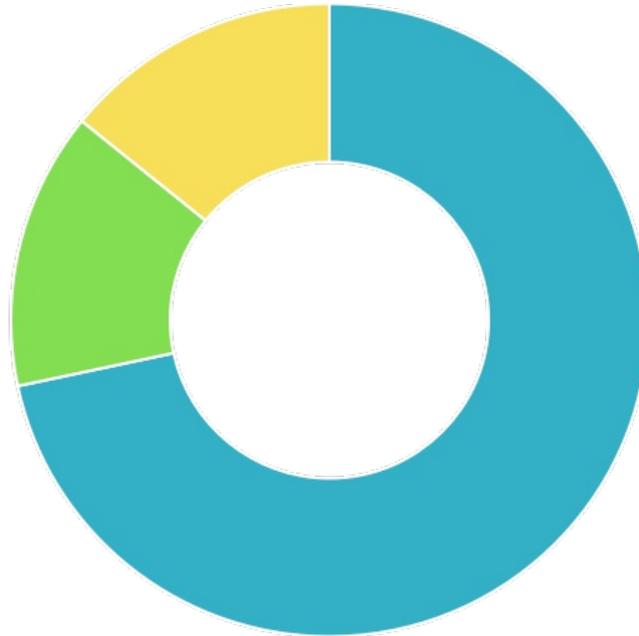
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All Data	163 (67%)	63 (26%)	18 (7%)	60.6	244



● a. Very Important    ● b. Important    ● c. Not Important

Do you prefer a multi-use path separate from the roadway (as shown on the concept plan) or roadway bike lanes?

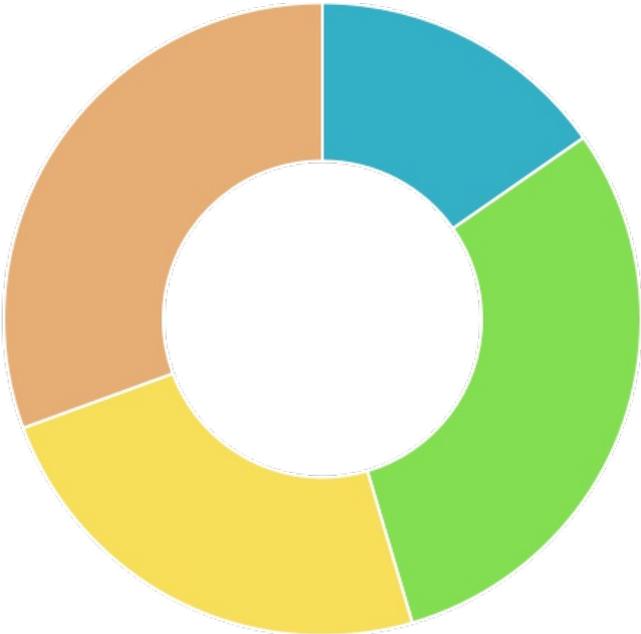
	<span style="color: #00A0C0;">●</span> a. Separate multi-use path	<span style="color: #90EE90;">●</span> b. Roadway bike lanes	<span style="color: #FFD700;">●</span> c. Does not matter to me. I will not use either.	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	172 (72%)	34 (14%)	34 (14%)	65.05	240



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# Do you prefer parking in the front of a business or behind a business?

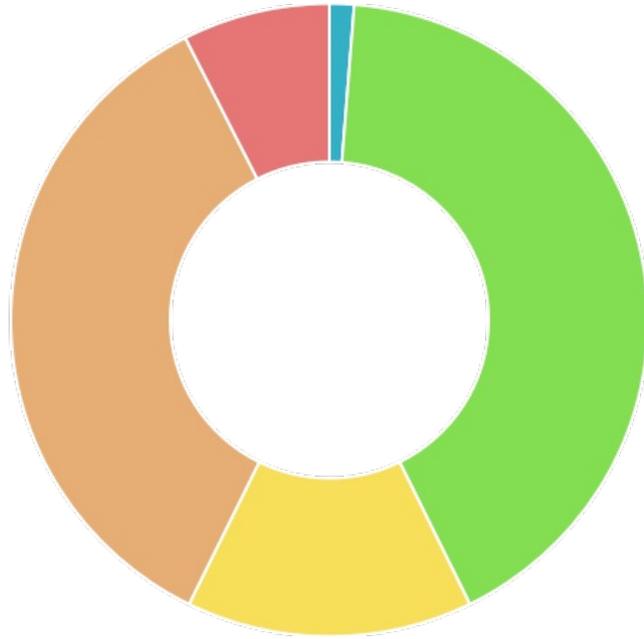
	● a. Front only	● b. Rear, but only if there is a rear entrance to the business	● c. Rear. I am willing to walk around to a front entrance	● d. Does not matter to me. I am willing to walk several blocks to patronize the business.	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	37 (15%)	73 (30%)	58 (24%)	74 (31%)	14.97	242



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## What is your opinion of the current appearance of the commercial businesses on the south side of East Wooster Street?

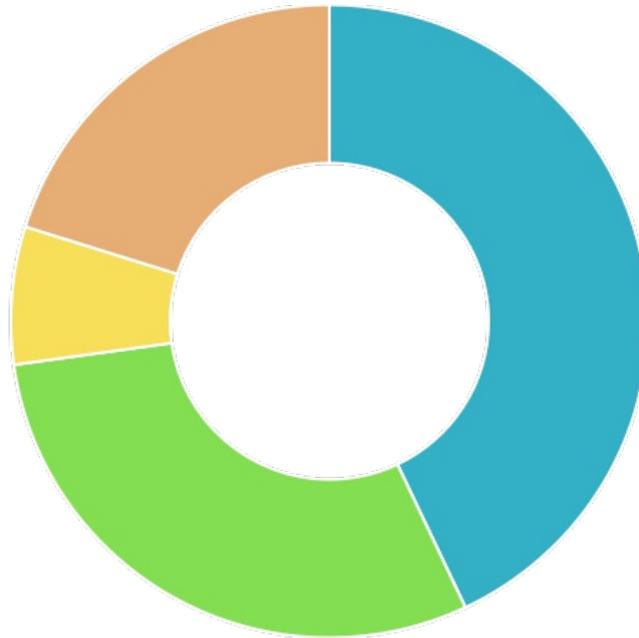
	<span style="color: #00A0C0;">●</span> a. Aesthetically appealing	<span style="color: #76D7C4;">●</span> b. Could use some improvement, but not terrible	<span style="color: #FDD835;">●</span> c. Never really thought about it	<span style="color: #D97023;">●</span> d. Needs a lot of work	<span style="color: #E57373;">●</span> e. Terrible	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	3 (1%)	100 (41%)	35 (15%)	85 (35%)	18 (7%)	37.86	241



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- c. Never really thought about it
- d. Needs a lot of work
- e. Terrible

# Between Manville/Thurstin Avenue and State Street, do you support residential rental units?

	<b>a. Yes</b>	<b>b. Yes, but lower density apartments only</b>	<b>c. Yes, but rental houses only</b>	<b>d. No. Owner occupied houses only</b>	<b>Standard Deviation</b>	<b>Responses</b>
<b>All Data</b>	<b>98 (43%)</b>	<b>68 (30%)</b>	<b>16 (7%)</b>	<b>46 (20%)</b>	30.02	228



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- c. Yes, but rental houses only
- d. No. Owner occupied houses only

Is the project as presented today worth the estimated \$10 million price tag?

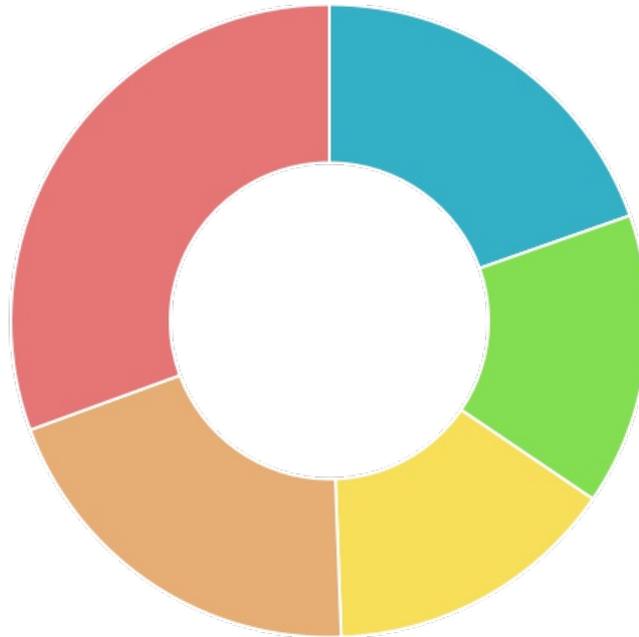
	<span style="color: #00A0C9;">●</span> a. Yes	<span style="color: #76D7C4;">●</span> b. No	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	144 (63%)	83 (37%)	30.5	227



● a. Yes    ● b. No

## How should the City of Bowling Green fund this project?

	<span style="color: #00A0C9;">●</span> a. Allow Citizens to vote for raising income tax rate earmarked for this specific project until paid for?	<span style="color: #76D7C4;">●</span> b. Borrow the money using low interest loans, pay off loan over 20+/- years even though this may negatively affect other City paving projects in that time?	<span style="color: #F1C232;">●</span> c. Discuss revenue source adjustments in other City service areas (refuse collection fee for example) to help free up general fund dollars to pay for this project and other similar projects in the City?	<span style="color: #E69A00;">●</span> d. I don't care how you fund it, as long as my taxes do not increase.	<span style="color: #D9534F;">●</span> e. Ask financial support from BGSU.	Standard Deviation	Responses
All Data	50 (20%)	38 (15%)	38 (15%)	51 (20%)	78 (31%)	14.62	255



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● c. Discuss revenue source adjustments in other City service areas (refuse collection fee for example) to help free up general fund dollars to pay for this project and other similar projects in the City?

● d. I don't care how you fund it, as long as my taxes do not increase. ● e. Ask financial support from BGSU.

# Thoughts I'd like to add about the concept plan:

## Text Responses

Save time and money, leave Wooster Street the way it is. There are a lot more important things to do then spend money on a stupid project like you're presenting. It hasn't been that long ago Wooster Street was tore up to widen it - And now you want to spend money to narrow it. Like I said STUPID!

- Fire trucks, semis, farm vehicles including wagons use Dunbridge Road to MidWood. - You need lights at intersection to make it safe for pedestrians. - What's wrong with the way it was finished including the turn lanes in middle.

It looks good now.

We need to have something like the entrance sign to the city on the north, west and south ends of town or the one by the County Garage on Poe Rd. to welcome people.

I heard that Gypsy lane is NOT going to get bike lanes. Makes no sense.

The bike lanes should extend all the way into downtown; they shouldn't end at Thurstin Ave. You're not encouraging more students into downtown if you don't extend the bike lanes to (and along) main street.

Essential we have bike lanes.

I think this is fully unnecessary and reflects an inappropriate focus on one small aspect of the plan associated with a huge budget. Attack more meaningful things before spending \$10,000,000 on one street. Things are rotting in other parts of the city and the answer will be that we have no funds to deal with them. Meanwhile we'll have this spiffy roadway leading to a hell-hole.

Roundabouts don't bother me, but boy do people have no idea how to use them. The other people is what will keep me off of Wooster St. At least until people seem to get the hang of things anyway.

This is a ridiculous plan. There are much better ways BG/BGSU can raise and spend \$10 million dollars. Want to make BG more bike friendly. Make bike lanes and improve current infrastructure. Roundabouts are not aesthetically pleasing and are not what Wooster St. needs. When you get off of I-75 it is apparent that you have arrived in both BG and at BGSU. I believe that the Stroh Center has done a lot to give visitors the striking view that they need.

There are a lot of unreported hit-and-runs around town. They almost always involve someone in a pickup truck or an SUV who doesn't care about pedestrian and cyclist safety. They know they can get away with it. I nearly got hit earlier tonight. Having a safe asphalt path to use my bicycle on would be incredible! If it is part of the street itself, the danger will not go away. Also, riding a bicycle in the road should always remain legal on every street and Main St. shouldn't restrict bicycles from being on sidewalks as it currently does. It would be suicidal to ride a bicycle along Main St. since the drivers always try to run cyclists over or force them off the road.

Why not complete the I-75/Wooster Street interchange with a normal NB on ramp and eliminate the ridiculous roundabout craze that ODOT has been on in recent years.

I think the roundabouts are a terrible idea.

Bike paths please. And a new corridor is not going to "save" BG. Decent zoning & compliance & enforcement of slummy properties & higher owner-occupied rates might.

Oh my goodness, I am so excited about the proposed changes. I was SO disappointed with the look of BG when I arrived here. It's depressing. The main intersection at Thurstin/Manville and Wooster is an EYESORE and it should be the heart of the University. That chain link fence that runs along the street there is dismal. When the building that came in at the corner of Prospect and Wooster was proposed, I was excited, but then quickly disappointed. Why did the city allow them to have parking out front. Why was the building not brought up to the sidewalk (maybe with tables outside the ice-cream and coffee shops). When you drive/walk/ride by all you see are cars, not people, not businesses. The whole city is too car/pavement dominated. Think of cities that we enjoy just walking in. That aesthetically please us. They have businesses that meet the sidewalk, they have lots of green features, and bike/pedestrian only paths. Think of campuses that have charm (Ohio University, Athens, OH). Court Street in Athens is fun to walk along because of all the non-chain, local businesses and bars. BG has no character except for a very small strip of businesses along main street. It's very sad. Please do not bring in businesses along Wooster who put parking out front. That mess that is Starbucks/Chipotle/WaffleHouse...who ever allowed that to happen. Where are our city planners. These proposed designs are a step in the right direction.

Better safety for pedestrians and cyclists needs to be the #1 priority.

I like the median strip trees & grass envisioned for Wooster, but wonder how snow removal will be handled for those very heavy snow days. Granted, though heavy snows have been few in number in recent years, piling snow in the middle of Wooster (then moving it out) has been very useful.

it doesn't appear as if you will be able to exit southside businesses to the left... with the median inserted what is the plan to exit the businesses.

Landscaping in a median is worth doing ONLY if the money and will are there to maintain it. Owner-occupied homes are my first choice for Wooster, from Manville to State, but condos and upscale rental unit are probably more realistic. Of course BGSU should be asked to help with funding, but the City will inevitably have to provide some. Bottom Line: upgrading housing on the East Side is a higher priority than any of this. Don't forget!

Comments regarding your questions: #2 - Landscaping is the key to upgrading the aesthetics, so the level should either remain as it is or it should increase. #4 - Roundabouts I have used that worked smoothly were in low traffic areas. Busy intersections of two major roads (e.g., the equivalent of Wooster and Main) do NOT work. Drivers come to a halt, afraid to merge into the zooming circle. You would have to study the volume of what traffic is coming from what direction to see if a roundabout is any different than waiting at a light. #8 - With a multi-use path you'll have pedestrians and cyclists moving in two directions; maybe you'll need double yellow lines down the middle. Either multi-use OR bike lanes, whatever costs less. # 12, 13 - I have no idea if the price is right. There are other ongoing issues in BG, e.g., the new city building issue has come up again. We need to prioritize our projects as far as importance goes. The mayor set the E. Wooster corridor as his #1 project. The university was all for it, but now it is rumored they do not want to help fund it. Maybe we should start upgrading in Zone 3 first since that involves both city and university, and in that zone BGSU should give some financial support. Upgrades there benefit town and gown. #16 - I have lived in BG for twenty years now and am now retired, having worked in BG. (There is no button/option for "retired". This survey was probably drawn up by a young 'un! ;- ) Thank you for the opportunity to give input!

More green areas near businesses and BGSU wherever possible. Walking and bike paths are high priority along with mixed income and affordable homes in all areas.

Roundabouts = illogical waste of money and resources. It's a road. Keep it straight and simple for people to get in and out.

BGSU had better get involved with the funding. They will benefit more than anyone.

This plan does not serve the needs of long term residents and will lead to more accidents/more confusion with visitors to our city.

Don't forget about East Wooster Street east of I-75, where expansion could easily occur having good freeway access without adding any congestion into the city.

Need a plan for some kind of shuttle..perhaps a trolley car to run from the stroh to main

I think it is a waste of money and the roundabouts are totally unnecessary. We are not in the traffic in Utica N. Y. CARRIER CIRCLE .You are in Bowling Green, Ohio. Who are you trying to impress. Why the need for speed in area where texting students frequently cross.

We rarely exit or enter BG using the East Wooster. Too much university traffic.

Why is this necessary. If the plan is just to make BGSU look better, than no do not do this. Spend the money fixing pot holes around town and upgrade existing infrastructure. Build elementary schools. Build useful, not pretty. Build a pool and or ice arena at the City Rec Center.

I think roundabouts are dangerous especially coming off or near highway entrances and exits. Whoever thought of this must be insane! I have lived in places with roundabouts and they are always only used in non-high traffic areas. You are looking for serious problems if you put in roundabouts. The only feasible area might be Dunbridge Rd. If you plan on going through with this insanity then you best improve the ugly look of the overpass on I-75. As well as have BGSU help pay for this and finally have the citizens vote on it. I forgot, this city does what it wants and doesn't really listen to the citizens, that is unless they are the select few that have money and run this town.

I'd really like to have a walk bike path over 75! Meijer is over there, and not everyone has a car.

Roundabouts with all the semi traffic are a bad idea. Roundabouts can also be difficult for the tractor pull traffic with their long trailers. The Dunbridge Rd intersection gets tons of semi traffic for the industrial park, rerouted I-75, and tractor pull. A round about will not help traffic flow in those situations. Four round abouts down Wooster St. is too many! How will snow plowing be affected by medians with trees and buffers. BG likes to plow snow to the center of the streets. Didn't we just spend a bunch of money to add the turning lane to Wooster St. Restricted turning onto Wooster St forces more traffic through residential areas increasing the traffic on roads that don't get a lot of cars now.

Safe walk/bike path over I-75 from Campbell Hill to Dunbridge is EXTREMELY IMPORTANT!!!!!!

PLEASE DO THIS PROJECT!!! The appearance of Bowling Green needs MAJOR help and this would be a huge way of improving it! The current look of entering Bowling Green is awful. It's cluttered, disorganized and quite frankly, and eyesore. That is not the first opinion you want for people visiting or entering the city. I was extremely happy to hear this project could be a reality.

I believe that BGSU should pay half if not more of the bill for this upgrade. Because the University President has wanted these changes since she got the position.

this is a poorly constructed survey and leaves no room for an opinion of "this is a crazy idea", which happens to be my idea. With all the many problems the city faces in terms of deterioration, why is there emphasis on this one road. As soon as a visitor happens to travel south off of E. Wooster, they will see the tRUE heart of BG, and it is pathetic.

This is a totally stupid plan. Roundabouts are a proven failure in traffic control. Semi-trailers are constantly detoured around 75 and these "pretty" traffic flow devices are out-dated and worthless. The entire thing is a waste of tax payer money to "improve" things for the BGSU. I do NOT support this and would not vote for or pay taxes for this project. I would be willing to sell my house and move! BGSU students, who are not long term residents and do NOT pay taxes should not be allowed to vote on any issue involving the city expenditures. You are catering to BGSU too much.

It is critical that Central Park be installed first before any other plan execution.

- Funding could be multiple sources; i.e., combination of options noted in #13 (vote to raise taxes, borrow, rev source adjustments) - I am uncomfortable with roundabouts only because I've never used them; I am willing to learn to use them based on improvements that will be made with this project - \$10m is a huge sum but costs of project will only go up if we wait ... start now - Hard to judge landscape improvements based on drawings but they appear to be sufficient (are they shown on drawings at maturity or when planted.) I prefer green over buildings and parking lots. - Hard to judge lighting needs as well; should be sufficient to properly light walk-ways and streets when project is complete. Looking nice is a wonderful bonus. -Understanding enter/exit of businesses will be a learning process; not a bad thing if I don't understand it on paper - go for it. - I support improving our community; it will bring more visitors/revenue dollars to BG - Thank you for this opportunity to respond!

Public artwork is a great idea, and this city needs more of it. But we already have one falcon sculpture, and don't need any more. Let artists be creative with their proposals to bring more variety to BG. It seems like two new hotels are being built on the south side of Wooster. Is there any thought given to their construction so that they'll conform with the goals of this plan. I would prefer to see greater enforcement of signage standards. After several changes to businesses in the past decade, the same sign structures were reused, despite their poor appearance. In particular, the tall rusty sign for Victory Inn remains after the demolition of that building. At least standards for painting the structure, repairing damage and replacing lighting should be required, but preferably all of the signs should be required to be revised and made more consistent. The medians should be placed in such a way to prevent left hand turns into businesses near intersections. Burger King, Huntington Bank and McDonalds frequently cause problems by stopping traffic near intersections. Requiring west bound traffic to have to u-turn around a median would solve some of these issues. Providing benches and maintained garbage receptacles along pedestrian paths would be a great idea. Having trees along those paths to provide shade from the sun a break from the wind would also be a big improvement. More crosswalks need to be provided across Wooster St. Many people jaywalk, often dangerously, because the intersections with stop lights are spaced so far apart.

Q7: "Absolutely critical" answer option missing. Q11: "No, commercial property or commuter parking lots would be better than rental houses" is a missing option. Q13: Multiple sources should fund this project. It's not just about residents, people that work here or BGSU, but DON'T build ridiculous debt with a loan. Q15: I don't currently live in BG, but I lived here for 8 years and close to the corridor sections in question. I've used this space for the last decade very frequently and am very familiar with it. I've lived and worked in BGSU more than anywhere else in my life. Q17: I have been a student at BGSU and I might be a PhD graduate student here in the future. Something NEEDS to be done about the days where "BG smells bad!!!" Don't tell me it's farms when it's most intense near sewer grates and covers. This plan needs sewer improvements included or, no matter how pretty you dress it up, a smell like that will drive people away! (I've already moved away from that corridor.)

I have no further thoughts.

Can we make the upgrades without adding the median feature. Keep the roundabouts - I see more and more of them in higher traffic areas in northern suburbs of Detroit, where drivers get used to them and think nothing of having to do a "Michigan left" by turning right and then making a legal U-turn to go left. What's the projected ROI for this investment. Who will benefit. Knowing that will help determine the response to #13.

Aside from the entrance and exit to 75 I believe the roundabouts are a poor idea. The main congestion of traffic is caused by the single lane traffic pattern from mercer to main street. Also, fencing or wall barriers to hide parking lots may look nice but by the end of the 20 year payoff not sooner it will need major repair or replacement. Also, with the additional landscaping added maintenance cost will go up. Though I know Wooster needs some improvements and no matter what is done not everyone will be pleased your moving in the right direction.

3 roundabouts is too many. It seems like one by I75 would be enough.

Are there other local businesses who might be able to do this project for less. Can it be broken up within several businesses.

This needs to be done quickly, as I have had many friends come to BGSU, and the first thing they say is "oh" or "it looks bland". East Wooster is a high priority if Bowling Green is to attract new students, and residents to live here.

Roundabouts are horrible!!! Students that have been to meetings and have opinions do not represent the entire student body, and residents oppose the horrible roundabouts. I have had to use them in traveling, and road-rage type drivers DO NOT wait to take their turn. There will be more accidents, and money spent on this project will be wasted. Just like the Walgreens and McDonald concrete road barriers that direct traffic and prevent past allowed traffic exits, it is nothing but a glorified MESS! Bowling Green residents, who should be considered rather than students that are here for MAYBE four years and then leave the horrible roundabouts behind,

should be making the decisions. BG is NOT Cleveland, Columbus, or Cincinnati (thank God!) We do not need these proposed pain-in-the-behind changes!

Citizens should be informed of the projected costs and be able to vote on the funding of the concept plan. It's unrealistic to not to expect residential rental units in the area between Manville Avenue and State Street. This area is better suited to residential rental units than owner occupied housing due to its proximity to BGSU.

Removing the turn lane to add medians is a terrible idea. Traffic on Wooster is heavy enough to justify 4 lanes and a center turn lane. The road would need to be widened to add turn lanes so as not to interrupt the flow of traffic, and the costs associated with that are not worth it to add trees to the middle of the road in a commercial-only area. Don't you want people on the other side of the road to properly see the businesses anyway. Put the trees somewhere else.

I did not see information about the positive and negative impact of the town and BGSU Carbon footprint noted in the handouts or presentation materials. I fully support as many trees and shrubs as possible to decrease the impact of non-carbon neutrality engaging elements of the project. While concrete will be a necessary evil, this can be neutralized and possibly enhanced brought the green options available for use in such a project. What elements will be incorporated into this new project and its features for individuals with disabilities. Crossing the street at a round-a-bout is much more challenging and poses potential risks. While pedestrian walks will be enhanced, how many additional areas will be designated as cross walk areas. The ability to cross E. Wooster Street safely is limited. The speed limit should also be given consideration in this project. A 30 vs. 35 mph speed limit would be much more appropriate. The amount of speeding vehicles with round-a-bouts is a safety consideration.

How about more use of crosswalks and encourage students to observe safety regulations and get off their phones.

This survey is very one sided. It doesn't have many questions about not liking the plan except for this written part. I the plan to make the boulevard on East Wooster is going to cause many traffic jams from out of town people not knowing how to turn onto side streets. It is also going to be a problem for snow removal. It sounds to me like this is all to make people welcome to the university. If this is the case, let the university pay for it. They get a lot of free service from the city now. (fire, EMS, extra police when needed for events). If this goes on the ballot, I will not be voting for it. This is also going to be a burden on the businesses that have to pay for the upgrades. Make the landlords improve their property on East Wooster would help out the looks of people coming into the city from the expressway.

No median it makes for extra driving to 'roundabout' to go to left and would seem to make snow removal more difficult. Also it would take away either driving lane space or frontage on the edges of the street. If roundabouts are used make them big enough to accommodate large trucks easily without cutting off cars in the second lane. Single lane roundabouts are not acceptable.

WHY BUILD A ROAD THAT DOESN'T HELP BUT HURT TRAFFIC FLOW AND COSTS 10 MILLION.REPAVE THE CURRENT STREET AND THE HELL WITH THE REST. JUST BECAUSE YOUR GOVERNMENT DOES'T MEAN YOU NEED TO SPEND MONEY.ALOT OF GOOD YOUR TOWN WELCOME SIGNS WORKED. MAINTAIN WHAT WE HAVE AND STOP ACTING LIKE TOLEDO BEFORE WE ARE BROKE TO.

1) Roundabout is an outdated idea and inefficient way of guiding traffic, and is environmentally unfriendly. It slows down traffic in peak times, causes confusion to travelers and local elderly, and requires more paved surface. 2) Median on Wooster Street looks good only in drawing; it will further separate the campus from the south part of the city practically, visually and psychologically.

I think this plan is a total was of money.

I strongly do not agree with this concept.

For question 13, I wanted to answer B and C and E. All three are good options. Loans are good ideas and some other things may have to wait a bit. Freeing up general funds dollars is good too, fees for trash and other city services need to be fair (not too cheap) and adjust with inflation. BGSU MUST pony up a lot of funds for THIS project since it helps them directly.

Re: #11) Need a way to make owners/landlords responsible for outside appearance. Buy a tree program. Allow citizens/groups to purchase trees/greenscape to help defray costs.

We need to address commercial and industrial growth. Trucks going through downtown - improve Poe & Dunbridge would be a higher priority.

Street lights are not that old. The project can get a lot of funding from all the parking tickets and fines.

Re: #2) No median barrier of bushes, use concrete barrier. Re: #3) Light the street, not the sky. Re: #4) Comfortable, but newcomers will struggle. Re: #8) Let bikes use street. Have you surveyed how many bikes will use it. Median build will kill people trying to get to hospital with traffic blocking traffic. You are creating more traffic rather than less. Where's the snow going to go. Fix our current short comings before you grab pie from the sky. Don't act like DC. Loser - BG residents. Winner - BGSU.

Left turns on Wooster are overrated.

Re: #2) Boulevard will be a problem. Turning lanes created under Wes Hoffman admin will disappear. Traffic will be a nightmare when it's game day, game night or when other university activities are going on. Also during BSAF. Re: #4) Don't have much experience,

probably uncomfortable. Re: #11) Owner occupied houses only - is a pipe dream. Re: #13) But some streets are in serious need of repair. Don't like no left turn onto E. Wooster from Biddle, Elms, Baldwin. Could reduce (or eliminate) blvd. to allow left turns, which are possible with patience. The turn lane on E. Wooster was and is a very welcome improvement. Please don't take it away!

Pedestrian crossing at roundabouts are a safety concern.

Roundabouts need to be large enough for semis - have seen those where trucks have great difficulty maneuvering.

Re: supporting residential rental units - No, rentals always look bad, owner occupied are taken better care of. I hope that a standards manual will be adopted for BG that will guide businesses, etc., to make aesthetically coherent choices for signage, building materials, styles of buildings, etc. This is very important.

Re: first item of concept plan - multi-use plan - safety issue, others are aesthetic. Re: commercial signs seen from I-75 - not important - signs for business are already provided on 75 by ODOT. BG desperately needs to improve the aesthetics of East Wooster entry to the city. Also a pedestrian crossing of I-75 is mandatory.

I have always felt that the East Wooster corridor is so unfriendly to pedestrian or biking (which is a large percentage of the students) consumers and could be better organized and marked to serve vehicle consumer traffic. I love the boulevard treatment.

Re: parking - willing to walk several blocks - downtown businesses only

BGSU should (has to) should a hefty amount of the necessary funding. Re: ornamental lighting - they don't have to be "ornamental" but efficient. Re: importance of commercial signs visible on I-75 - important, provided the signs are on I-75. Re: parking - rear, but only if there is a rear entrance to the business. A lot of people feel uneasy about how to use roundabouts. The locals will learn fast, but visitors (especially part-time ones such as prospective students/families) may find themselves confused, and can make risky driving decisions.

After looking at all other options will get more support to raise income tax if have funds from other sources.

Look for state/fed money and ask BGSU to provide funding.

Ornamental street lighting should match downtown. ODOT signs should provide the information on I-75. Re: parking - if well lighted walkway separate from car traffic. Re: residential rental units - designed for non-students, staff, professional folks. Look for state/fed money and ask BGSU to provide funding.

Most cities abandoned median strips to create turn lanes to keep traffic flowing. Why would be build "barriers" to restrict traffic flow causing inevitable rear end collisions. What about the congestion after football games, fireworks, tournaments, events, move-in at the Univ.. Also, adding 4 round-abouts is expensive. Who does the upkeep of plantings, curb repair. Traffic speed is increased with these structures, yet we are taking a lane of travel away with a median strip. Makes no sense.

How will the city adjust snow removal procedures to accommodate the addition of medians.

More safety lights at the Mercer crosswalks. Speed signs warning people that a crosswalk or roundabout is coming (caution). Clear signs giving new roundabout drivers "instructions".

Very uncomfortable using a roundabout but willing to learn. Current appearance of commercial businesses on the south side of East Wooster - outdated, rinky-dink in some places, dirty/unkept. Improvements are needed. It's time to invest in our first impression so that it matches our quality community.

Walkway bridges across Wooster.

Don't see 75 ramp roundabout as necessary.

Along with encouragement of businesses to conform to new sign regulations there should be incentives or they wouldn't conform..

All avenues of funding should be explored, but there was only the option to mark one box. The questions about rental housing seems misleading, since it is private property and whether a building is a rental or not is not business of the city.

Property tax levy for life of bond. We need to encourage new investment - development company.

Understanding how to enter & exit roundabouts - if a single lane. Double lane roundabouts are too confusing.

BGSU should help pay for this corridor. They will be the greatest benefactors of this project.

Multi-use path needs to extend to downtown.

Add in a few more crosswalks for people to cross Wooster in Zone 3.

Roundabout is not a good idea.

Stop lights and crosswalk lights should be implemented. I'm not comfortable with roundabouts and I know several other people who agree with me.

The plan sounds great to me. I definitely agree with the renovations and upgrades to make BG as aesthetically appealing as other universities.

Regarding question #11 - "Yes, but lower density apartments only" AND owner-occupied single family; okay for mixed rentals & owner-occupied as long as rentals are low density & all units good quality. Students should not have to cross I-75 traffic lanes except by tunnel w/bridge.

I'm not sure of a concept of housing between M/T and state as the choices above. I think the south side of Wooster should be given greater space between walkway and units much the same as on the north side of Wooster.

Can use signage on I-75 and at exit ramps. Manville/Thurstin Ave & State Street: I believe most of this area was purchased by BGSU and currently rentals. No dorms should be built south side of Wooster. Brownstone style housing may work. BGSU will benefit from these improvements to the city and should be willing to help with funding.

Also look for grants as other communities have (Kent, etc.)

Amazing concept and excited to see the project through!

Regarding ODOT service signs - put up a blue sign on I-75 announcing them up the road a bit. Regarding BGSU financial support - are they paying half of the Poggemeyer plan. Looks wonderful! trees, paths I hope the university and city work out the financial sharing.

A great enhancement. Especially need multi-use paths.

Not add roundabouts by I-75

The roundabout coming off the expressway could be very dangerous because cars would not know to slow down. People could get hurt and cause a lot more accidents.

Very good and safe for workers and bikers.

Very good idea! Need more safer crosswalks for students, especially across I-75!

I definitely think the crosswalks are an amazing idea.

Where the dividers are, add an opening to turn left. I live in Cleveland and this type of street is there and it works well. Haven't been any problems/accidents.

Who would be against more trees, art, more safe sidewalks and roundabouts (if they really are safe). My main concern is to make sure this effort does not negatively affect efforts to increase family home ownership on the east side.

Boulevard w/trees is a bit too elaborate.

Regarding supporting residential units - maybe, depends on what type of units are proposed. More poorly maintained student rentals as has been status quo in BG are not something I would support. Regarding project price tag - maybe - improvements are needed but project should be funded with wise use of money. BGSU & city should evaluate using a combination of fund options listed above. Optimize the spending of general fund dollars as needed, obtain grants and low interest loans whenever possible and obtain financial support from BGSU and if needed propose tax increase to make up difference. Should also consider neighborhood revitalization efforts that will encourage more young professional to live and work in BG which will result in an increase to the income taxes collected by the City which may allow more city-wide improved projects to be completed.

Most of the footage of roundabouts does not include semis and large vehicles. Aren't the roundabouts too small for trucks entering and exiting I-75.

I'm not quite sure how semi-trucks would use the roundabouts to access the commercial businesses like Meijer when exiting I-75 onto Wooster Street. Would they be able to make that turn w/o disrupting local traffic. How would they access BGSU.

Don't like that Baldwin, Williams, Biddle do not have access from westbound Wooster. U-turn lanes need to be added. Extra stress on Clough needs to be evaluated if Wooster access is reduced.

Roundabouts are great after drives learn how to use them.

Make sure roundabouts are big enough for semi-trucks. Some in Michigan on US23 are not big enough.

For question 13: combination of all including private donations (naming rights, etc.). I-75 roundabouts, pedestrian walkway, underground - great example in Athens, Ohio at Rt. 33 and Richland as you exit highway and enter OU territory

Not sure if this solves the issue - game days backups accidents in turnabouts jam both directions of traffic. Only question is flow on game days to collect parking fees jamming the roundabouts so no one can go anywhere.

Seniors will vote against any property tax. I am concerned about the traffic ability and reduced traffic flow. Traffic will increase because 1) more houses are being built; we are trying to bring in more industry; and BGSU is trying to increase enrollment. Traffic flow is my number 1 priority. On more than one day (in BGSU) we also have an international soccer tournament and tractor pull. How will emergency vehicles get through when there is an accident.

The city and University should split the cost of this plan with the city picking up 70%. I would like to see the use of an access road behind the gas stations, Frickers, new hotel as a replacement to the right turn only option. Look at Bloomington, IL and Lincoln HWY as an example. I would be ok with signage standards if a visible option is provided along I-75.

But where/how does the money from/do we find the funds

Taxes are high enough.

Though highly unlikely to achieve, access roads to businesses east of Mercer would be highly advantageous. Being unable to turn left into the businesses between I75 and Campbell Hill may negatively impact their value, as people will bypass them to get to something more easily acceptable. I loathe roundabouts because Americans have no idea how to use them properly. Adding college students into that mix may actually increase the number of accidents, not decrease them (as in the intent). Set up meetings separately for those of us who live on the east side and will be more deeply affected by the changes before the changes are implemented.

It is apparent that BGSU stands to gain a great deal. In fact more than any, when the plan is implemented. Pressure should be used to encourage the Board of Trustees to participate in the financing of this plan.

Much of this project directly benefits BGSU. #1) Consider pedestrian & bikeways on Napoleon Rd due to proximity to student housing and reduced traffic density (no I75 access). #2) BGSU will be a prime recipient of the benefits of this project. They should be expected to pay a fair share of the cost.

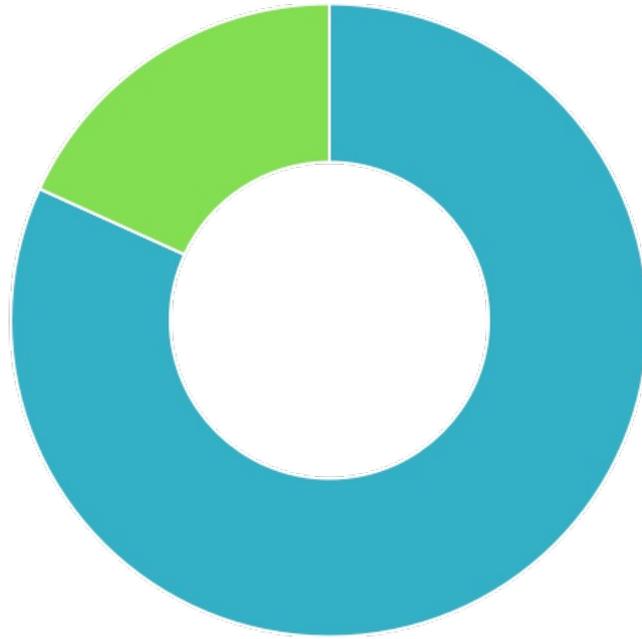
Great start. Mazey said BGSU would pay half but now they aren't. They own property along Wooster Mansville & State and would financially benefit from rentals there. So how much should they (it) pay.

Roundabouts are great, but there is a learning curve. Suggest holding some public meetings to inform the public about how they work and why they can improve traffic flow.

May be a good idea if you can afford it and don't come back for more money in five years. Live within your means! Don't kill businesses via increased taxes!

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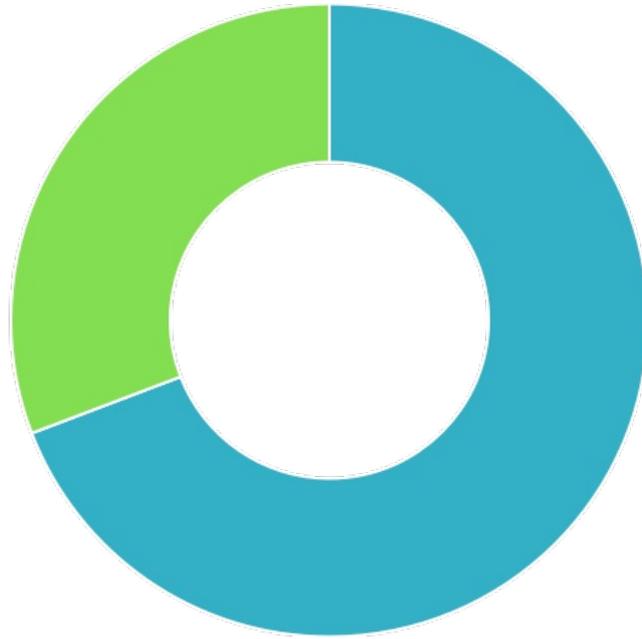
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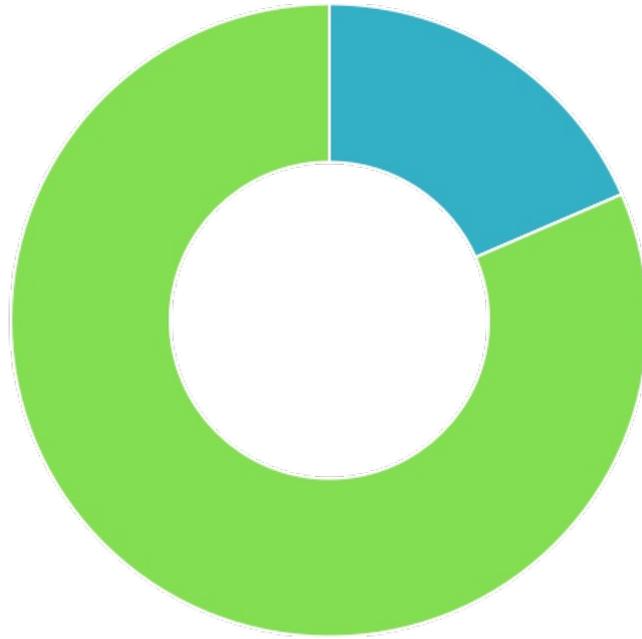
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## Are you a student at BGSU?

	Yes	No	Standard Deviation	Responses
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Yes No