

Subregions 1, 5, & 6 Agricultural Listening Session Summary

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Agricultural Listening Session

Subregions 1, 5, & 6

To inform the Minor Plan Amendment process for Subregions 1, 5, and 6, an agricultural listening session was held in December 2025. At the meeting, participants contributed their opinions to the planning process through a series of exercises:



Love, More, and Less asked residents what they love about their community, what they want more of in their community, and what they want less of in the community. This was combined with a map, allowing residents to get specific about different areas.



The **Vision Dollars Exercise** gave participants the opportunity to “spend” a set amount of “vision dollars” on various agricultural priorities.



The **6-Word Stories** activity allowed residents the opportunity to imagine their vision for the Subregions.



Love, More, Less

Exercise Summary

The Love–More–Less exercise asked participants to share what they value most about their community, what they would like to see more of, and what they prefer to see less of in the future. This quick activity helped identify the everyday strengths, needs, and concerns that matter most to residents.

Love

What Residents Value / Love

- Availability of Green Space
- Protection of Farmland
- Rural Character

+ More

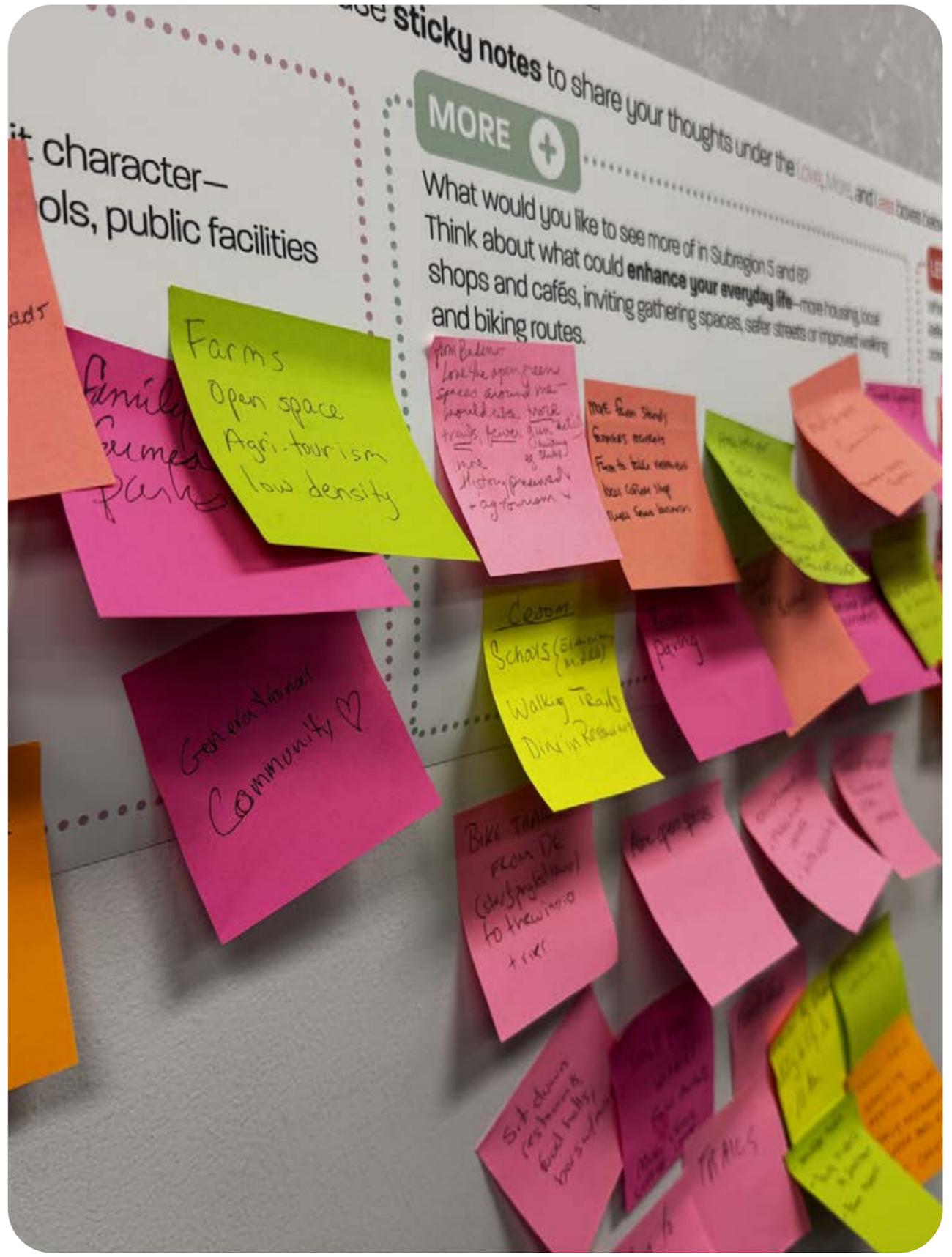
What Residents Want More Of

- Agritourism
- Support for Historic Family Farms
- Retail Services (more restaurant, pharmacy, and grocery options)
- Improved Infrastructure & Amenities
- Thoughtful Development to Support Farm Owners

— Less

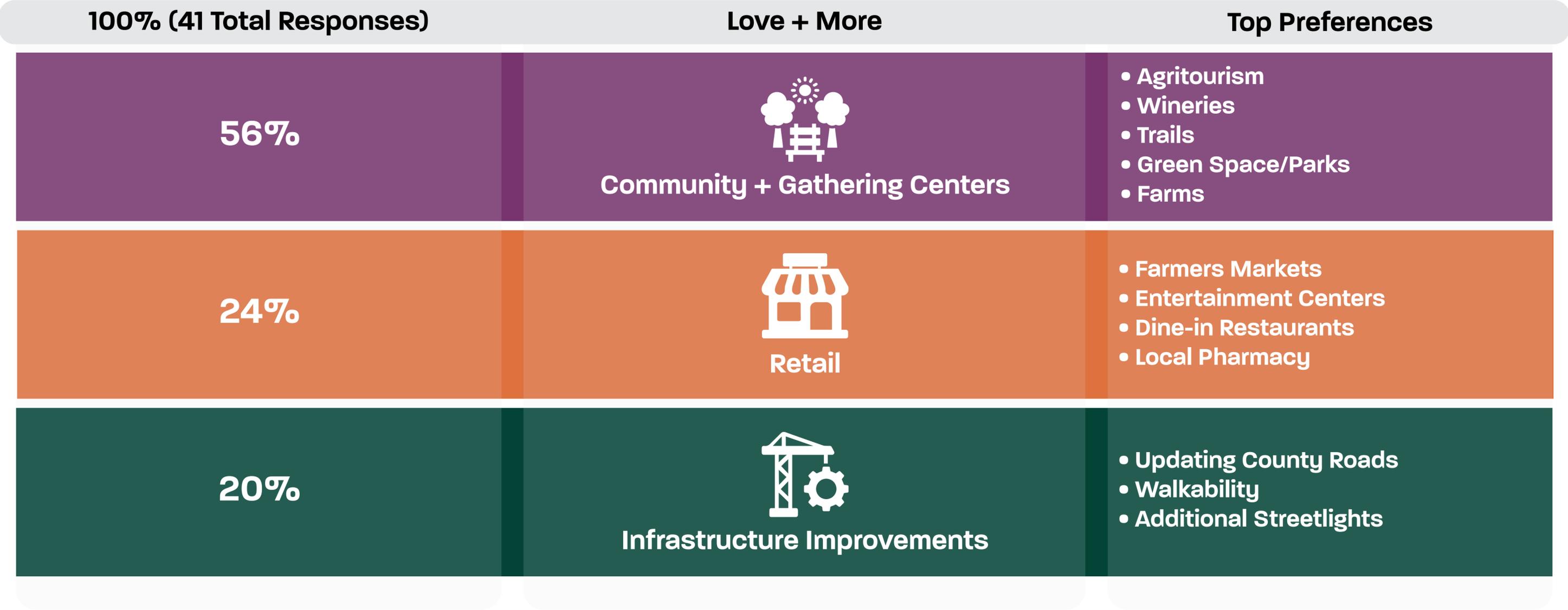
What Residents Want Less Of

- Excessive Heavy Industrial Uses
- Overdevelopment of Farm Land



Subregions 5 & 6

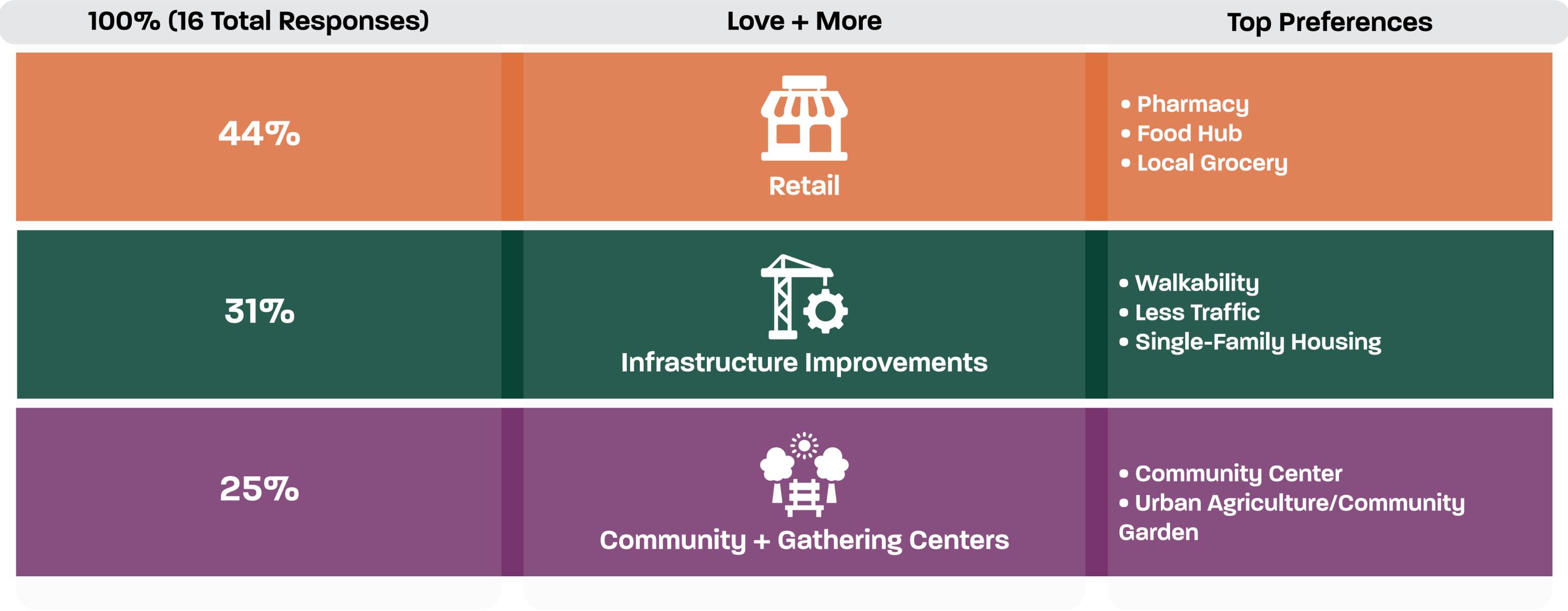
Love and More Results



Listening Session attendees were asked to identify the things that they love about their region and things they would like more of in their region.

Subregion 1

Love and More Results



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Vision Dollars

Exercise Summary

Participants were each given **\$24** (one \$10 note, two \$5 notes, and four \$1 notes) to “spend” on their **priorities**:



Farm Supplies



Agriculture Technology and Innovation



Agritourism and Agriculture Education



Farmland Access for New Farmers



Housing for Farm Workers



Agricultural Land Preservation



Overall, the responses point toward a vision of **sustaining farmland** and providing opportunities to grow the industry from **Agritourism** to **Agri-tech** - all while creating new avenues for bringing revenue into the County.

Results for this activity were not separated by Subregion.



Vision Dollars

Exercise Results

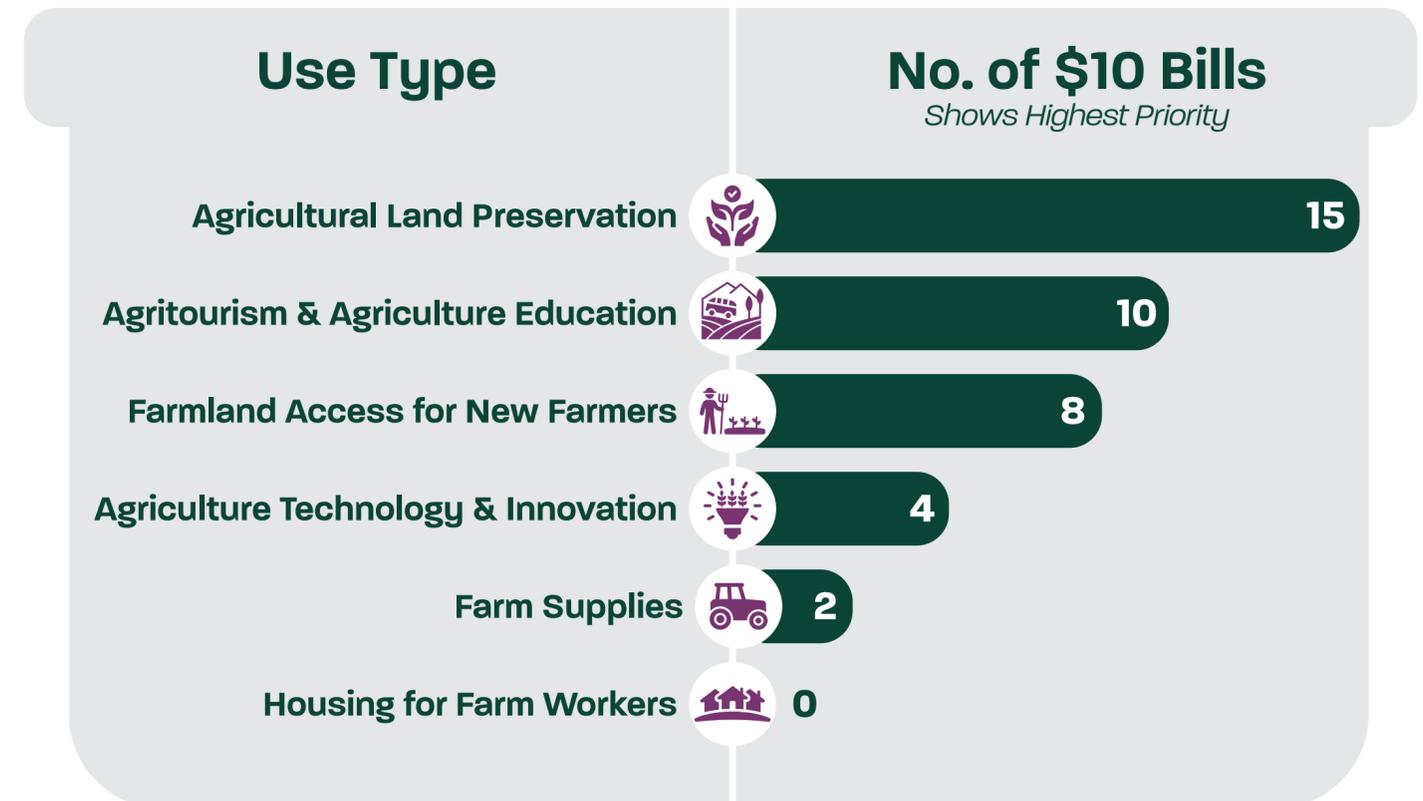
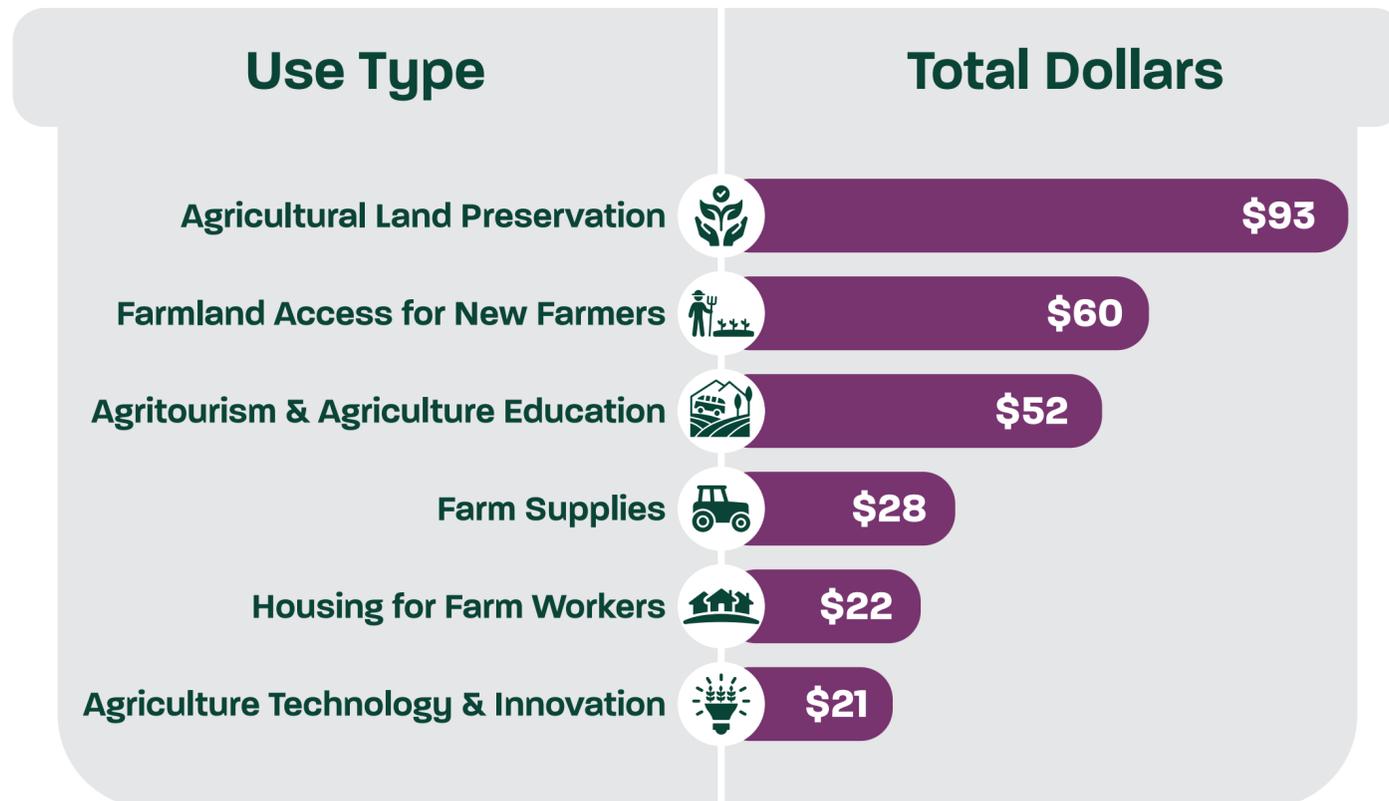
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Agriculture Land Preservation received the highest ranking at **\$93**, reflecting a strong commitment to maintaining existing farmland.



Overall, the data points toward a vision of **self-sustaining farmland** for **multiple generations** driving **economic abundance** into Prince George's County.



6-Word Stories

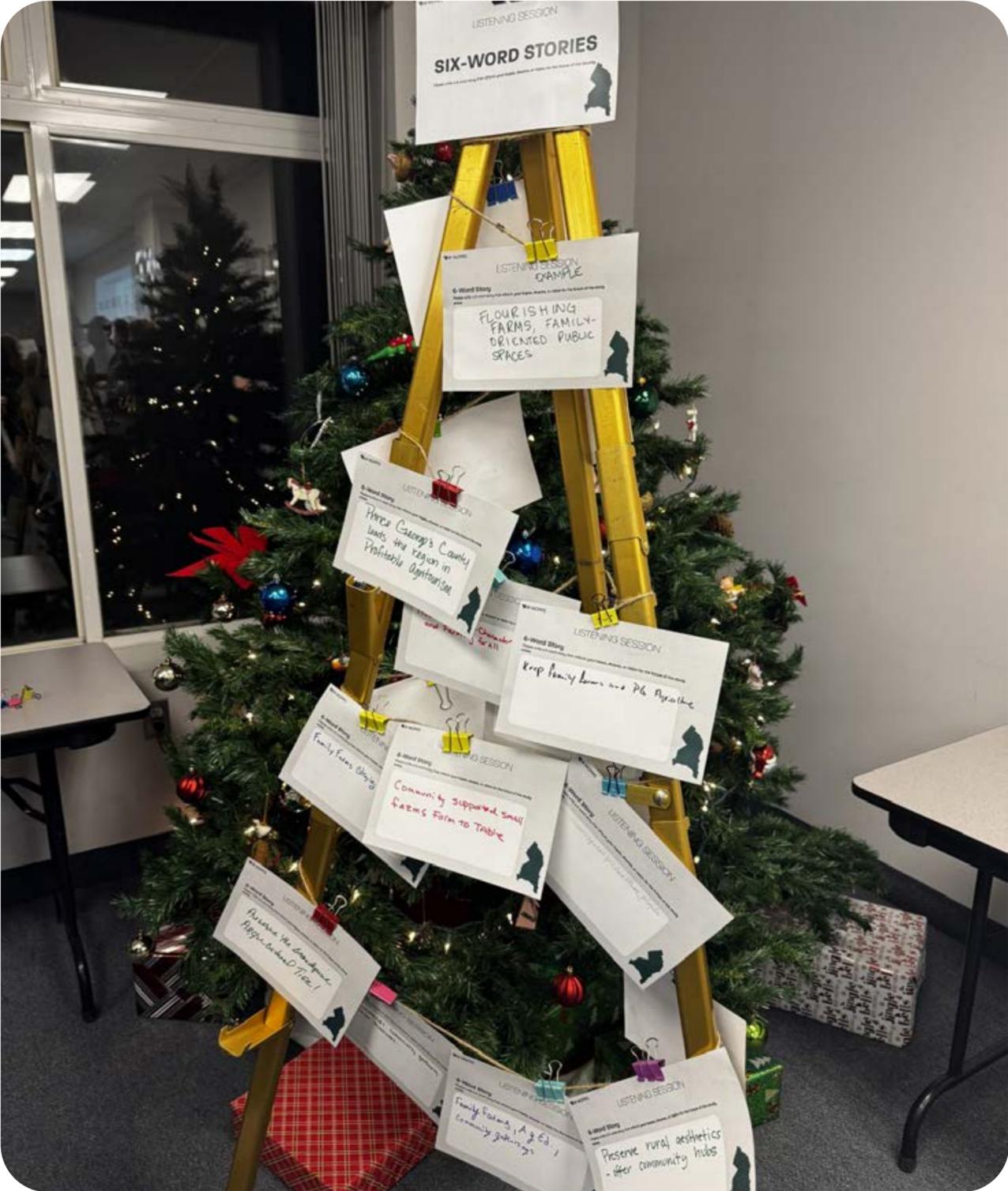
Exercise Summary

For the 6-Word Stories, participants were asked to use only six words to describe their vision for the Subregions

We want to see thriving small farms, farmers' markets, local businesses, and additional community gathering spaces.

We also want to limit new development and reduce traffic to sustain beauty, peace, and agricultural heritage.

Results for this activity were not separated by Subregion.



6-Word Stories

Participant Responses

*Responses may be edited for clarity.
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by Subregion.*



Emphasis on Retail & Agritourism

- Emphasis on Agritourism
- Agritourism, Accessibly from DC via trails
- Family farms, farmers' markets, peaceful parks
- Small local wineries, farmers' markets, coffee shops
- We are the bread basket of the county
- More farmstands, community gathering spaces, small businesses
- Prince George's County leads region in profitable Agritourism



Protection of Small & Family Farms

- Protecting large + small farms equally
- Family farmers, agricultural education, community, gatherings
- Community supported small farms - farm to table
- Keep family farms and Prince George's County agriculture
- Family Farms staying as open land for generations



Preservation of Rural Character

- Preservation of rural areas
- Open clean spaces for healthier people
- Preserve rural aesthetics - offer community hubs
- Preserve farms, limit new development, keep rural
- Beauty and peace for all here
- Preserve rural character and farming for all
- Thriving farms and rural communities
- Trails, small farms, less traffic + industry
- Preserve the Brandywine agricultural tier

Takeaways and Implications for Planning

By Topic Area



Infrastructure & Mobility

- Improved infrastructure
- Better traffic planning, congestion management (such as along Route 210), and video simulations
- More bike paths, sidewalks, and trails



Community Services & Safety

- More community centers for growing neighborhoods
- Enhanced community amenities
- Additional entertainment venues
- Increased security and measures against reckless driving



Development & Planning

- Thoughtful planning before new construction
- Prevention of poorly planned growth
- Preservation of farmland
- No desire for industrial uses or data centers



Retail & Economic Development

- Attract local businesses (e.g., Farmers' Markets, Miller/Tool spaces)
- Improve shopping options to reduce reliance on neighboring counties
- Promotion of Agro-Tourism



Environment & Sustainability

- Protect land from turning into heavy industrial centers
- Parks, arboretum, and athletic facilities
- Incorporate solar lighting and green building practices
- Preserve open and green space