## 2020 Neighborhood Survey City of Gainesville, Florida

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#### **Agenda**

- Purpose and Methodology
- Bottom Line Upfront
- Major Findings
- Summary
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#### Purpose

- To objectively assess resident satisfaction with the delivery of City services
- To help determine priorities for the community
- To set a baseline for future surveys
- To compare Gainesville's performance with other communities regionally and nationally

#### Methodology

#### Survey Description

- seven-page survey
- each survey took approximately 15-20 minutes to complete

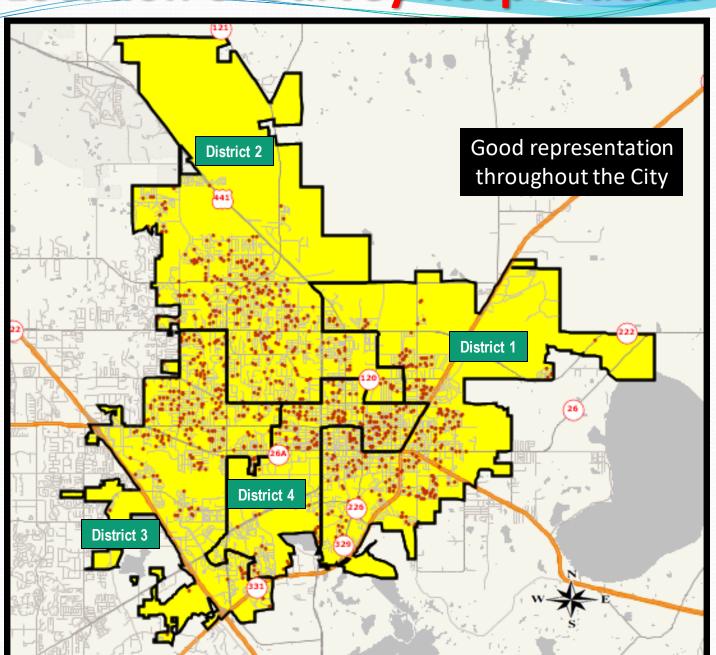
#### Method of Administration

 by mail and online to randomly selected sample of households throughout the City

#### Sample size:

- total of 1,042 completed surveys; included over 250 surveys in each City Commission District
- demographics of survey respondents accurately reflects the actual population of the City
- Confidence level: 95%
- Margin of error: +/- 3.0% overall

#### **Location of Survey Respondents**



#### **Bottom Line Up Front**

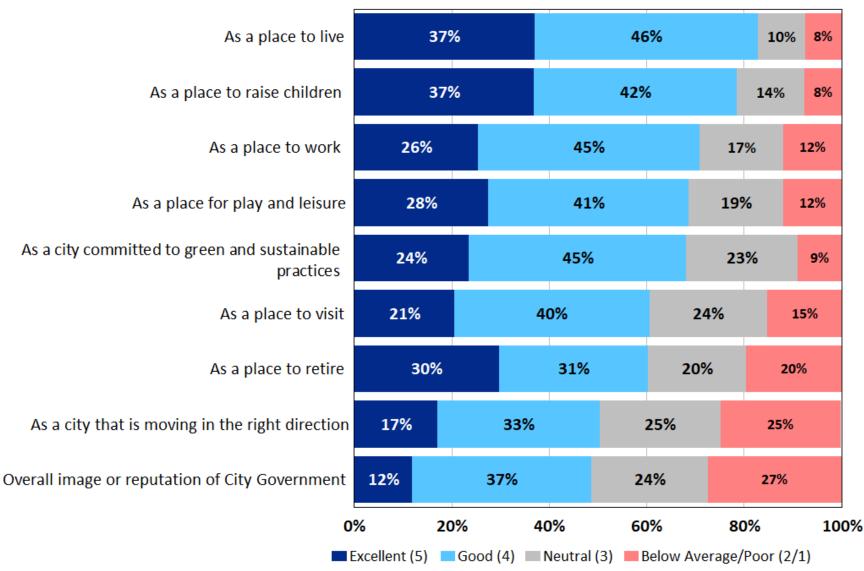
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  - Overall Cost of Living
  - Employment Opportunities

### **Major Finding #1**

# Residents Have a Positive Perception of the City

#### Q1. Overall Opinions of the City of Gainesville

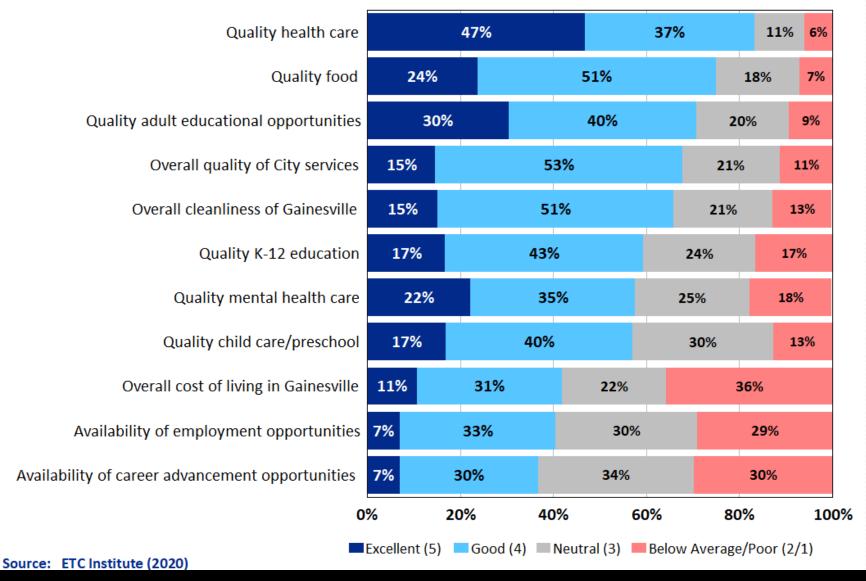
by percentage of respondents (excluding "don't know")



Source: ETC Institute (2020)

#### Q3. Perceptions of Quality of Life in Gainesville

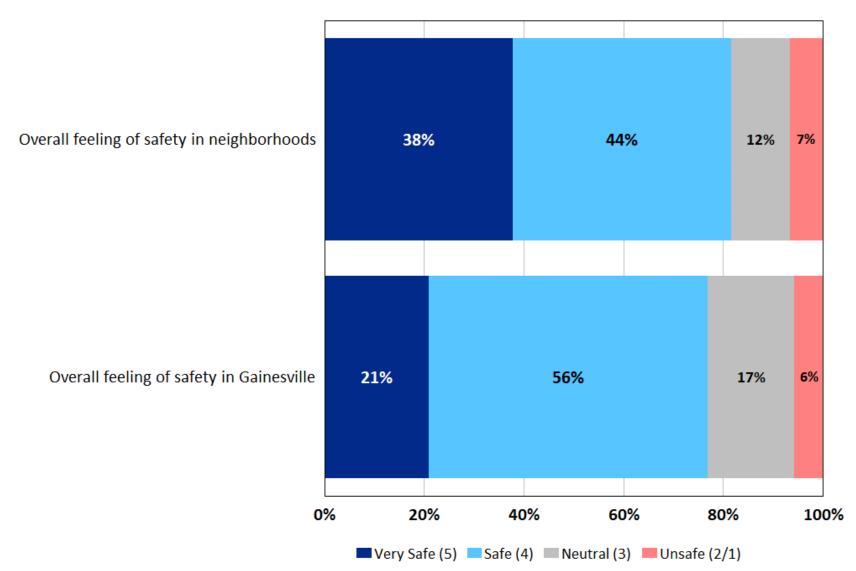
by percentage of respondents (excluding "don't know")



More Than a 6 to 1 Ratio (68% vs. 11%) of Residents Who Are Satisfied vs. Dissatisfied with the Overall Quality of City Services

#### **Q2.** Feeling of Safety in Gainesville

by percentage of respondents (excluding "don't know")

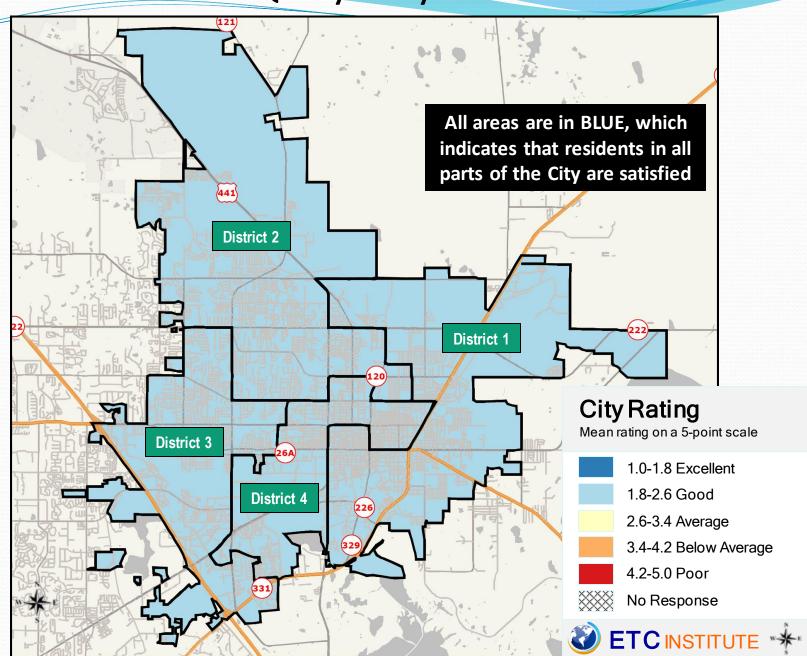


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### Major Finding #2

# Residents Throughout the City Are Satisfied with the Overall Quality of City Services

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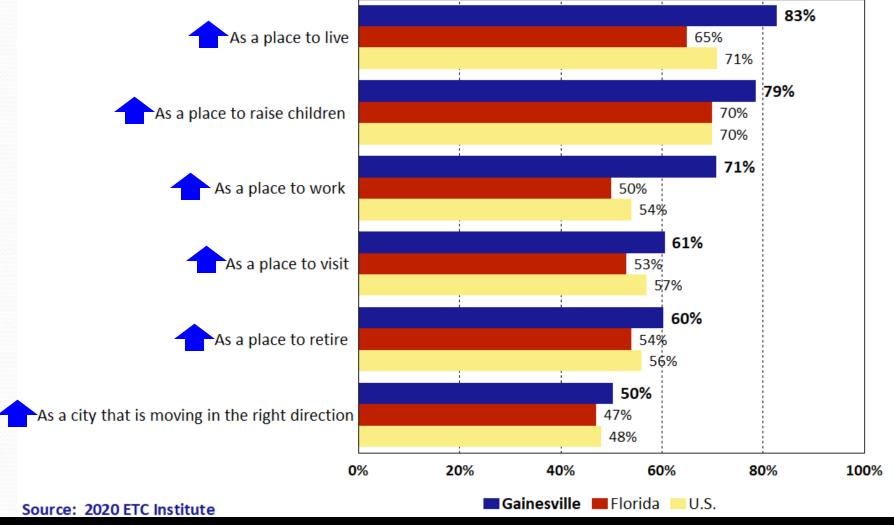


#### **Major Finding #3**

#### Satisfaction with City Services Is Higher in Gainesville Than Other Communities

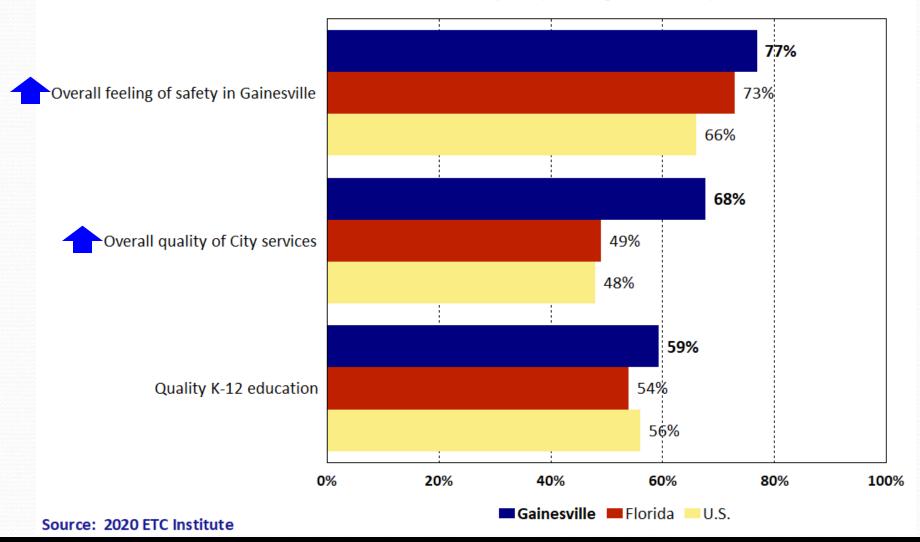
# Overall Opinions of the City Gainesville vs. Florida vs. the U.S.

by percentage of respondents who rated the item 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale where 5 was "excellent" and 1 was "poor" (excluding "don't know")



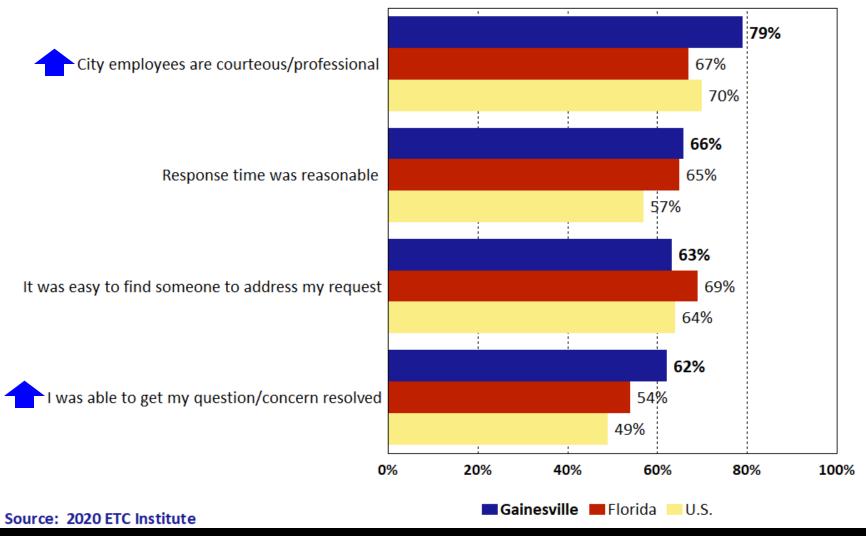
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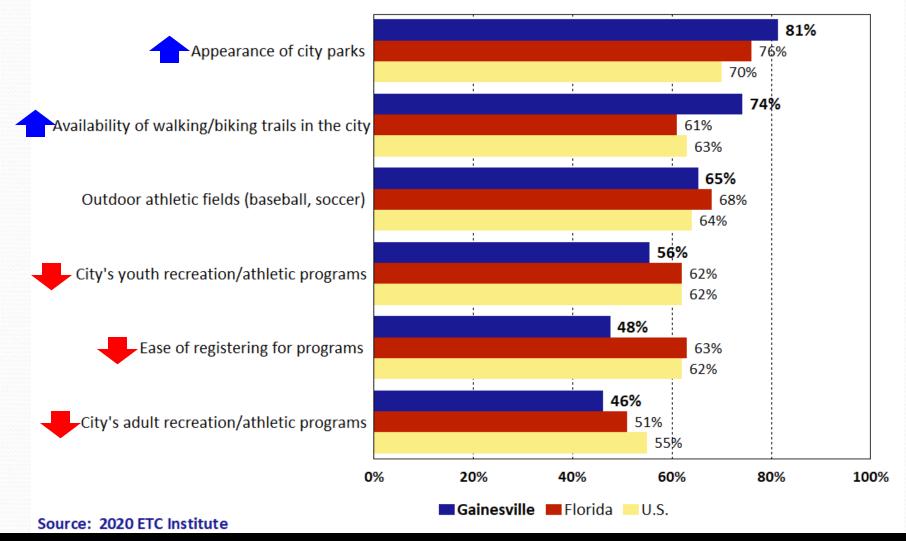
## Customer Service from City Employees Gainesville vs. Florida vs. the U.S.

by percentage of respondents who rated the item 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale where 5 was "always" and 1 was "never" (excluding "don't know")



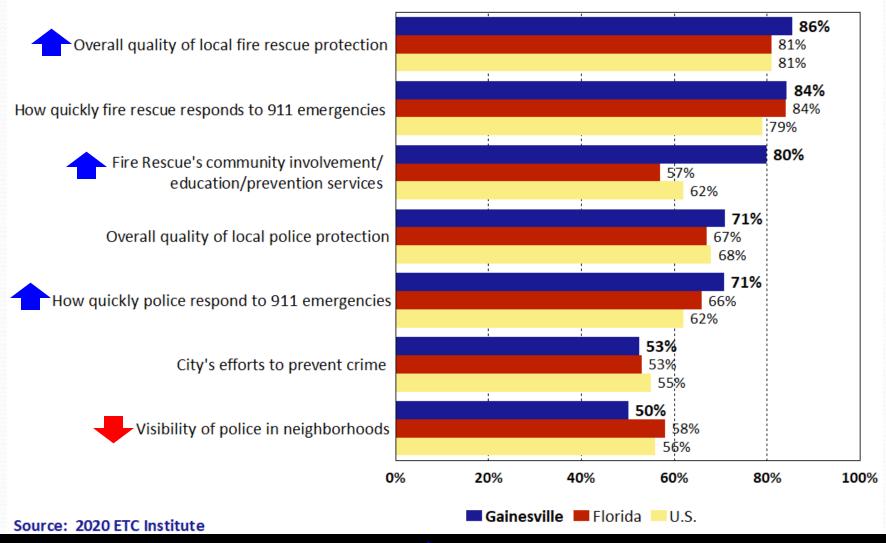
## Satisfaction with Parks, Recreation, and Cultural Affairs Gainesville vs. Florida vs. the U.S.

by percentage of respondents who rated the item 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale where 5 was "very satisfied" and 1 was "very dissatisfied" (excluding "don't know")



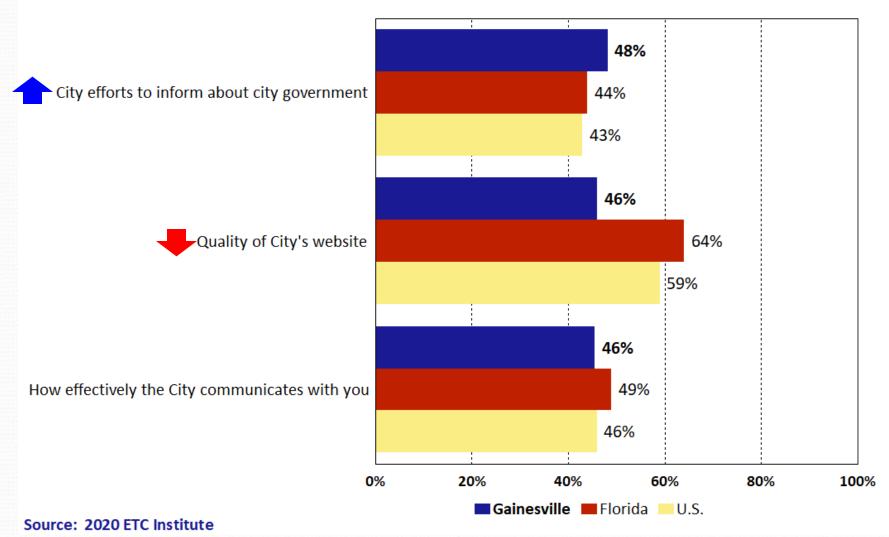
# Satisfaction with Public Safety Gainesville vs. Florida vs. the U.S.

by percentage of respondents who rated the item 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale where 5 was "very satisfied" and 1 was "very dissatisfied" (excluding "don't know")



## Satisfaction with Communication Gainesville vs. Florida vs. the U.S.

by percentage of respondents who rated the item 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale where 5 was "very satisfied" and 1 was "very dissatisfied" (excluding "don't know")



# **Major Finding #4**Top Community Priorities

# 2020 Importance-Satisfaction Rating Gainesville, Florida Quality of Life

Category of Service	Most Important %	Most Important Rank	Satisfaction %	Satisfaction Rank	Importance- Satisfaction Rating	I-S Rating Rank
Very High Priority (IS > .20)					_	
Overall cost of living in Gainesville	51%	1	42%	9	0.2951	1
Availability of employment opportunities	39%	2	41%	10	0.2332	2
High Priority (IS .1020)						
Quality K-12 education	33%	4	59%	6	0.1332	3
Availability of career advancement opportunities	18%	6	37%	11	0.1131	4
Overall quality of City services	34%	3	68%	4	0.1092	5
Medium Priority (IS < .10)						
Quality mental health care	17%	7	58%	7	0.0734	6
Overall cleanliness of Gainesville	18%	5	66%	5	0.0619	7
Quality child care/preschool	11%	9	57%	8	0.0455	8
Quality health care	14%	8	83%	1	0.0240	9
Quality adult educational opportunities	7%	10	71%	3	0.0216	10
Quality food	7%	11	75%	2	0.0163	11

# 2020 Importance-Satisfaction Rating Gainesville, Florida Mobility

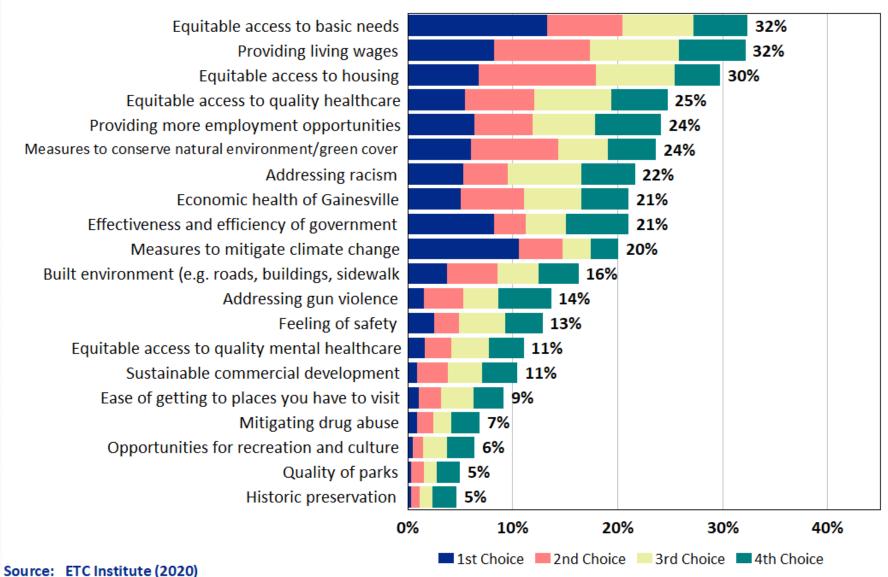
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Very High Priority (IS > .20)					_	
Traffic flow on major streets	66%	1	31%	7	0.4528	1
How easy is it to find public parking	42%	2	29%	8	0.2955	2
How easy is it for neighbors with disabilities to commute in Gainesville	32%	3	32%	6	0.2158	3
High Priority (IS .1020)						
How easy is it to travel by bus in Gainesville	24%	5	41%	5	0.1423	4
How easy is it to travel by car in Gainesville	25%	4	56%	3	0.1077	5
Medium Priority (IS <.10)						
How easy is it to travel by bicycle in Gainesville	20%	6	54%	4	0.0942	6
How is the traffic flow on residential streets	16%	7	67%	1	0.0535	7
How easy is it to travel on foot in Gainesville	12%	8	57%	2	0.0500	8

# 2020 Importance-Satisfaction Rating Gainesville, Florida <u>Maintenance</u>

Category of Service	Most Important %	Most Important Rank	Satisfaction %	Satisfaction Rank	Importance- Satisfaction Rating	I-S Rating Rank
High Priority (IS .1020)					_	
Maintenance of streets in your neighborhood	31%	2	52%	6	0.1471	1
Availability of sidewalks in your neighborhood	24%	4	47%	7	0.1287	2
Overall cleanliness of city streets/public areas	32%	1	61%	3	0.1272	3
Adequacy of city street lighting	26%	3	57%	5	0.1109	4
Medium Priority (IS <.10)						
Reported noise violations	14%	8	32%	9	0.0960	5
Reported residential property maintenance issues	15%	7	38%	8	0.0924	6
Maintenance of medians and public areas	18%	5	59%	4	0.0726	7
Maintenance of traffic signals/street signs	17%	6	63%	2	0.0621	8
Reported commercial property maintenance issues	6%	9	31%	10	0.0398	9
Reported abandoned vehicles	6%	10	30%	12	0.0387	10
Reported graffiti	3%	12	31%	11	0.0202	11
Maintenance of city buildings	4%	11	65%	1	0.0147	12

## Q7. Future Priorities That Should Receive the Most Emphasis from City Leaders Over the Next Two Years

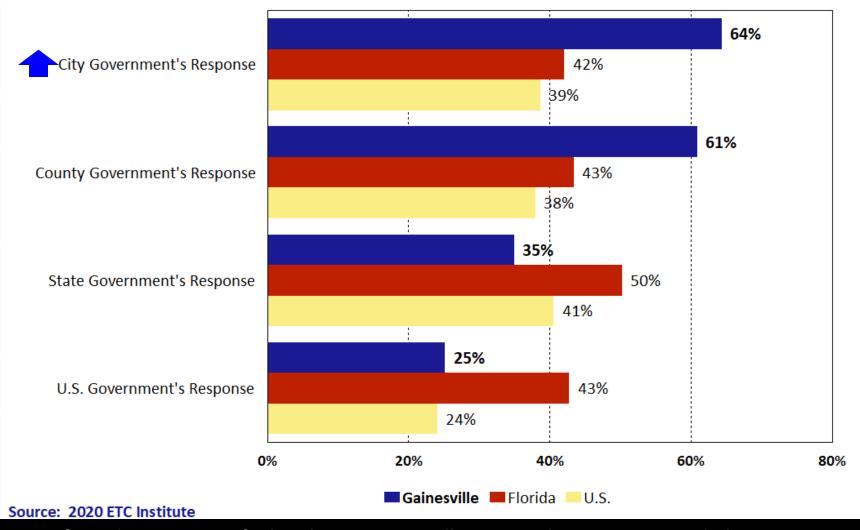
by percentage of respondents who selected the item as one of their top four choices



## **Other Findings**

## Satisfaction with the Way Government Leaders Have Responded So Far to the COVID-19 Pandemic Overall

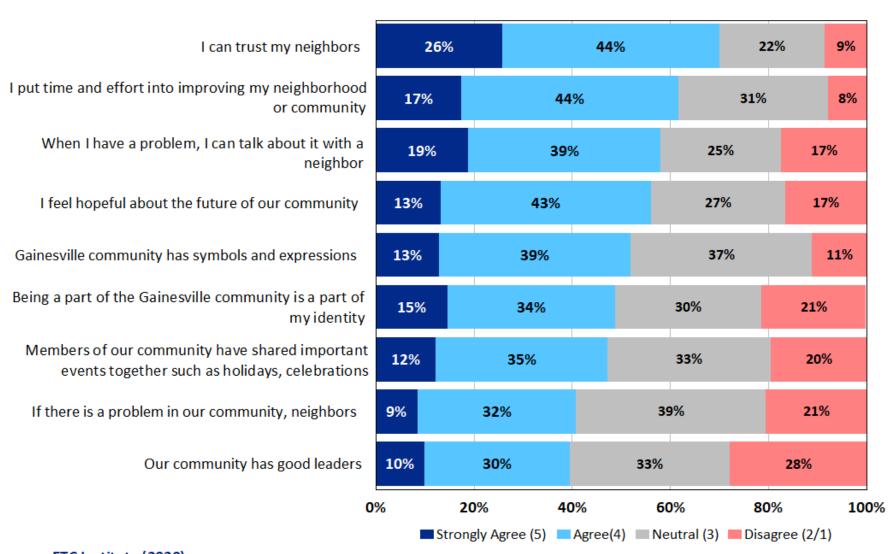
by percentage of respondents who rated the item 4 or 5 on a 5-point scale where 5 was "very satisfied" and 1 was "very dissatisfied" (excluding "don't know")



64% of Residents Are Satisfied with How Gainesville City Leaders Have Responded to COVID-19, Which Is Much Higher Than Residents in Other Cities in Florida (42%) and the U.S. (39%)

#### Q5. Agreement with the Following Statements Regarding Sense of Community and Belonging

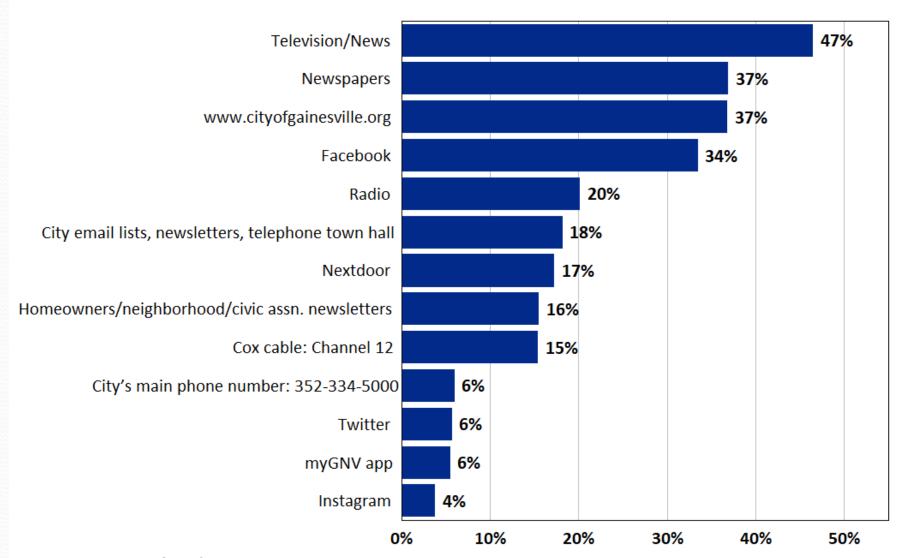
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# Q15. Primary Sources of Information About City Issues, Services, Programming, and Events

by percentage of respondents (multiple choices could be made)



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## Questions?

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