

**Gifford Neighborhood Plan Update
October 21, 2013**

List of Potential Solutions and Priorities Identified by Residents

Categories/Issues	Votes	Comments
Housing and Property Maintenance		
1. Identify owners of abandoned homes to fix or demolish	14	
2. Increase code enforcement and building code enforcement	31	This item was combined with two similar solutions originally listed under the safety category; all votes combined to total 31
3. Review current rules and regulations to expedite enforcement processes	4	
4. Create neighborhood associations	2	
5. Increase staff for code enforcement	1	
6. Provide residents with simplified information of what the rules and regulations are regarding property maintenance and how to report violations	21	This item was combined with two similar solutions originally listed under the safety category; all votes combined to total 21
Land Use/Zoning/Development/Illegal and Nonconforming Uses/Communication		
1. Provide an area for food and produce vendors for a weekend market (Thursday-Sunday)	17	A desirable Gifford tradition. One central community location rather than many individual locations on the side of the road.
2. Provide special notices/and buffers when an industrial development is proposed next to residential	4	Courtesy notice at beginning of review process
3. Prohibit concrete plants, demolition debris facilities, and new mulching operations in West Gifford industrial area. Allow existing mulching operation to continue.	12	Prohibit those three uses due to dust, air quality, fire hazards in the middle of a residential area.
4. Redevelop vacant part of old landfill with recreational/park use if environmentally safe. Provide community outdoor marketplace: vendors, flea market	11	Relates to item 1 above. Community market could overlap with recreation use and share parking/restrooms.

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Safety/Crime Prevention/Law Enforcement/Code Enforcement		
1. Make Funding Available for Homeowner repair or Restoration of Structures (v demolition)	4	This item was combined with one similar solution originally listed under the same category; all votes combined to total 4.
2. Establish Safe Gathering Places for Small Children in Neighborhoods	5	
3. Create Tax Incentives for Allowed Public Use of Private Property (such as play areas)	1	
4. Make Enforcement Against Non-Homestead Property a Priority (homestead v. rental/non-homestead)	1	
5. Improve Lighting With Surplus Funds or Refund	2	
6. Hold Willful Landowners Accountable for Recurring Illegal Activity on Property	0	
7. Educate Community About County Regulations	0	
8. "Children to school in the AM to Jail in the PM" (SRO should be more tolerant v. zero tolerance with juvenile justice)	1	
9. Review Juvenile Justice Statistics for Equity of Enforcement	0	
10. Involve Other Agencies Besides Sheriff's Office in Regular Community Meetings	1	
11. Get Owners More Involved	1	
12. Hold Periodic Community Day Clean Ups with Dumpsters Temporarily Located at Non-Obtrusive Locations; Organize/use/Credit Volunteer Hours for Clean-up (kids within guidelines – High schoolers, or people on probation)	9	This item was combined with two similar solutions originally listed under the same category; all votes combined to total 9.
13. Enforce County Regulations With some Discretion - situational (i.e. widow, disabled)	1	
14. Identify Priority Properties for Clean-up	0	
15. Prioritize problem Areas for Focused Code Enforcement	0	

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16. Educate Citizens/Enforce Against Junk Cars in Yard, Not Repairable, Non-Registered vehicles	0	
17. Increase Enforcement Against Loud Music after 10 p.m. (or anytime)	22	
18. Improve Lighting at 41 st , 32 nd , and 49 th Streets	8	
Infrastructure/Transportation/Drainage/Recreation		
1. Fix potholes at source – resurface or rebuild roads	7	
2. Inventory Drainage System and Clean and Maintain Where Needed	8	This item was combined with one similar solution originally listed under the same category; all votes combined to total 8.
3. Discuss right-of-way for sidewalk with property owners (45 th Street , 49 th Street)	5	
4. Discuss curbing and sidewalk options with drainage districts	1	
5. Safety Barriers at Canals – reflectors, speed bumps, rumble strips, curbs	6	
6. Facelift for 45 th Street – Paver crossings, landscaping	25	
7. School zone safety, more signs, stand-up signs	10	
8. Turn Lanes/3 lane 45 th Street	2	
9. Boat Ramp on 45 th – pave road	4	
10. Implement Ball Park Improvements – Dugouts, lighting, little league agreement, playground equipment	15	
11. Maintain/Level Sidewalks and Trails	10	
Economic Development/Employment Education/Vocational Training		
1. Revise school Zero Tolerance Policy/Practice	17	
2. Provide More Role Models in the Classroom for African-American Students, Recruit Minority Teachers	44	This item was combined with one similar solution originally listed under the same category; all votes combined to total 44.
3. Apply Uniform Standards to all Groups of Students and Provide Adequate Resources to Improve Performance Standards	7	

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4. Don't Overmedicate Kids to Address Behavior Issues	9	
5. School District to Better Explain New Curriculum to Parents	5	
6. Partner with Business Community for Apprenticeships and Internships, Recruit Businesses that Provide On the Job Training	19	This item was combined with one similar solution originally listed under the same category; all votes combined to total 19.
7. Youth Connections Partner with GYAC for job/career Coaching, and Workforce Solutions Mobile Unit at the GYAC once a week	11	This item was combined with one similar solution originally listed under the same category; all votes combined to total 11.
8. Provide Computers for the Youth Center	3	
9. Chamber of Commerce Should Offer Assistance for Minority Owned Businesses	16	
10. County Should Offer Procurement Workshops and Use Pre-bid Conferences for Local Businesses and Contractors	10	
11. Hire Community Residents to Beautify Community	18	

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