



**VOICE VISIONING SESSION REPORT OUT
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What VOICE is About

VOICE brings together diverse members of our community in facilitator-led group discussions to draw out and capture everyone's ideas for the future. Together, we'll discuss our hopes and dreams for Evansville in a comfortable, open forum that's fun and inspiring, too. The sessions allow respectful conversations to take place, and all voices to be heard, and every opinion to be documented and shared. VOICE will ensure that everyone in our community has the opportunity to take part in creating a desired future. Absolutely everyone.

The VOICE Process

Leadership Evansville has facilitated discussion sessions starting on August 15 at easy-to-access public locations, such as Evansville Public Library System branches and Evansville Vanderburgh School Corporation schools. The sessions have been advertised in neighborhood newsletters, the newspaper, television, radio and via the initiative's website: www.evansvillevoice.com.

Comments from each session will be available to the participants and the public. A summary and detailed notes will be posted on the VOICE Web site within one week of the session.

Once all comments are collected, additional community sessions will occur to verify that the information collected truly represents participants' opinions.

Then, common themes and ideas will be grouped by topic area to serve guidance for those organizations, businesses, universities, individuals, and government bodies with interest in that topic to move forward with further research and planning toward common goals.



VOICE SESSION SCHEDULE

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

GROUND RULES

THE POSITIVE IN OUR COMMUNITY

CARRY FORWARD & LEAVE BEHIND

VISION DRAWING & PRESENTATION

WRAP UP/ WHAT'S NEXT



LARGE GROUP OPENING- Lead Facilitator

"One or two words describing why you are passionate about our community."



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good schools
good law enforcement
good people
college town
museums
emergency services
strong sports teams
people
fall festival
police
focus on environment
New Tech Institute
good law enforcement
intelligence
community
nature
New Tech Institute
fire departments
New Tech Institute
philharmonic
music
progressive
entertainment
making healthier choices

fun
Hadi Shrine circus
teachers
shelters for those who need help
hospitals
churches
hospitals
homeless shelters
awesome
athletic programs
environment
ice men
restaurants
airport
VOICE
fast food
amazing food
good food
good activities
longest brick wall in the world (3rd)
decent mall
awesome hospitals
amusement parks
helpful leaders

good schools
ford center
people who donate food to homeless
shelter
nice homes

kind people
fun parties
community
schools

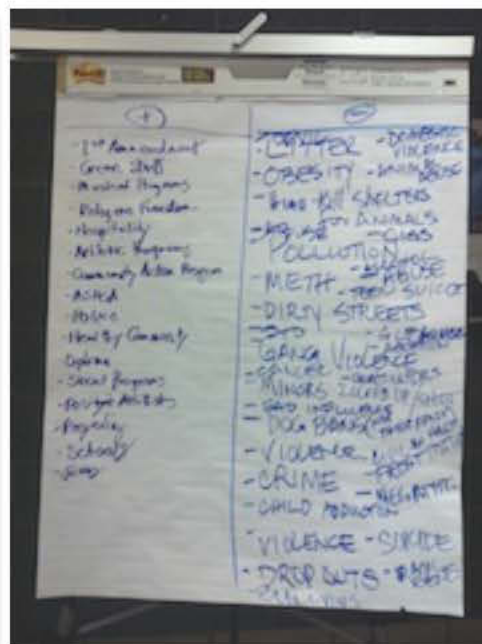
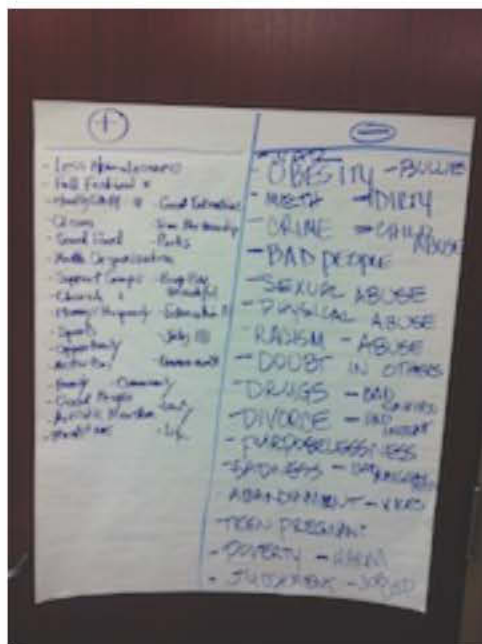




CREATING EVANSVILLE'S FUTURE

"In a preferred future, what would you carry forward and what would you leave behind?"

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LEAVE BEHIND

obesity
meth
bullying
dirty community
crimes
child abuse
sex offenders
sexual abuse
physical abuse
racism
abuse
doubt in others
drug abuse
child abuse
divorce
purposelessness
sadness/pain
abandonment
teen pregnancy
poverty
bad environmental habits
bad intentions
bad neighborhoods
bad habits
harm of others
judgments
unemployment
abuse
teen moms
war
litter
obesity
high-kill animal shelters
pollution
meth
dirty streets
gangs

CARRY FORWARD

less homeless people
fall festival- traditions
healthy places to go
clean community
food
resources for kids support groups
church
fairs, festivals
peace
good health
sports
opportunity
healthy choices
activities
churches
true partnership
joy
support groups for teen moms
family time
better community
state parks
good intentions
good people
artistic freedom
traditions
keep Evansville beautiful
education
jobs
going green
unity
cleaner city
1st amendment
animal shelters
going green
musical programs
more jobs
religious freedoms

minors in jail
abuse
domestic violence
animal abuse
abuse
bans on dogs with bad reputations
violence
crime
child abductors
violence
drop outs
STDS, Alzheimer's
prostitution
negative attitude
suicide
tragic events
bullying
cigarettes
alcohol abuse
teen suicide
depression
abortion
negative leaders
devil
discouragement
civilian harm

hospitality
athletic programs
community action programs
ASPCA- humane society
activities
education
jobs
police
life
healthy community
diplomas
treatments
better economy
positive attitude
recycling
memories
school

Jesus



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Group 1

- awesome bus, hotels, banks, say no to drugs just music
- mountains-nice and peaceful
- Evansville is nature oriented, colorful

GROUP 2

- happiness, houses are pretty, rain is colorful
- super store, chain of restaurants, don't do drugs, don't harass people
- town square, food center,
- Home of the Nerds, envirosphere,
- double rainbow, new welcome to Evansville sign
- two giant hotels for tourism

Group 3

- everyone is happy, Cheddars, Harrison, NTI
- Eastland mall with more places for the handicap, Jesus saying hallelujah Evansville is safe, rainbows, no drugs, no meth
- buildings, yes to happiness, no to drugs, moon
- house with no trash, clean lawns, people are happy they are living in a clean home
- house with welcome to Evansville sign
- house and someone walking their dog

Group 4

- park with dogs playing Frisbee, lakes and big fields
- town hall, therapy, gym, people running, trees, house, sun
- giant VHS for animals, parks, trampolines, tour buses, trees, river, future cars
- hospital is vacant, trees, birds
- big bus, water, kids playing and getting along, college encouragement, neighborhood, beautiful, clean sky
- people talking to each other, blue jay, butterflies, trees

Group 5

- downtown Evansville - aligns on earth protecting Evansville, robots protecting our citizens, environmental city, hybrid cars, trees, plants, skyline and it's pretty

Group 6

- NTI as its own school, it's bigger, rainbows, streets with flowers, clean and no trash, people are happy
- church, people are happy
- play ground, houses, students can place trash in their trashcans
- buses of the future
- children at the playground outside playing with each other

Group 7

- warm, light sky with birds, houses, cars, trashcans for a clean city, squirrels, big trees, family picnics, no child abuse, families playing in the parks, slides, flower bushes, gardens, swing sets and a basketball court.

Group 8

- Happiness with the sun, clouds are blue in the clean sky, birds, mountains for peacefulness, bike trails, people running being healthy, no dog abuse, apple trees lining the bike/running trails to grab a fresh, healthy snack after they exercise

Group 9

- outlined state of Indiana, nature
- peace and equality
- love- everyone should love who they want to, 100% tests because everyone is smart
- recycling, nature, skyscraper, prosperity, star that represents Evansville.

Group 10

- sun, grass, birds
- no gym because everyone is healthy, portable machines that give out free food to people who need it.
- racism is gone, hover cars, lemonade stands, squirrels, food
- peace with other planets, tall trees, hospitals, everyone is in church and school,

