

**Many Voices One Valley Final Questionnaire**

Hello. My name is \_\_\_\_\_. I'm calling from Marist College. We're talking to people about issues facing your community.

AGE18. Are you 18 years of age or older?

- (CONTINUE.) ← 1 Yes
- (ASK TO SPEAK WITH SOMEONE 18 OR OLDER;  
IF NO ONE 18 OR OLDER IS AT HOME  
SCHEDULE CALLBACK.) ← [ 2 No  
8 Unsure/Refused

GENDER.

- 1 MALE
- 2 FEMALE

HHTOT\_S. Including yourself, how many adults aged 18 and older currently live in your household?

IF HHTOT\_S(1) start survey; IF HHTOT\_S(2) and Gender=Male start survey; IF HHTOT\_S(2) and Gender=Female randomly pick person on phone or other adult; IF HHTOT\_S(3 or more) use last birthday for selection of household member

LRESID. How many years have you lived in your community? Years: \_\_\_\_\_

RATELIVE. Overall, how would you rate your community as a place to live? Would you say it is: (READ LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

- Excellent ..... 1
- Very Good ..... 2
- Good ..... 3
- Fair ..... 4
- Or Poor? ..... 5

- (DO NOT READ) ← [ Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

IMPACT. Overall, how much impact do you think people like you can have in making your community a better place to live: (READ LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

- (ASK HOWIPT.) ← [ A big impact ..... 1  
A moderate impact ..... 2  
A small impact ..... 3

(IF NO IMPACT, SKIP TO COMMIS.)

(DO NOT READ UNSURE/REFUSED)

- ← [ Or no impact at all? ..... 4  
Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

**HOWIMPT.** Thinking about how people like you can have an impact making your community a better place to live, what do you think is the most effective way people can have an impact? Is it to:

(READ ROTATED LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

- Give money ..... 1
  - Volunteer time ..... 2
  - Get other people involved ..... 3
  - Complain to authorities ..... 4
  - Some other way (SPECIFY:)  
\_\_\_\_\_ ..... 7
  - Unsure ..... 8
  - Refused ..... 9
- (DO NOT READ) ←

**COMISS.** Now I want to ask you about several issues that some communities face. Using the numbers zero through ten with 10 being a top priority and 0 being not a priority at all, please tell me how you would rate each one for your community. 10 is a top priority for your community and 0 is not a priority at all for your community and you may use the numbers in between.

(ROTATE LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER FOR EACH.)

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98 Unsure	99 Refused
a. Making your community safer .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
b. Improving the quality of the public schools .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
c. Providing services for senior citizens.....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
d. Slowing growth and development .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
e. Increasing the number of public areas such as parks and playgrounds .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
f. Protecting open space .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
g. Improving the quality of the water that is supplied to your home .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
h. Providing more after-school activities for children and teenagers.....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
i. Providing more affordable, quality child care .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
j. Increasing the amount of affordable housing.....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
k. Supporting the arts and providing more cultural events .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
l. Creating more jobs.....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
m. Keeping businesses in the area .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
n. Reducing taxes.....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
o. Making health insurance easier to get .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
p. Making health care more affordable .....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
q. Reducing homelessness.....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99

	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98 Unsure	99 Refused
r. Increasing or improving public transportation.....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99
s. (ALWAYS LAST) Improving relations between different racial and ethnic groups.....	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	98	99

(AUTOPUNCH HIGHEST PRIORITY FROM COMMISS. ASK TOPPRESS IF SAME LEVEL OF PRIORITY ON HIGHEST PRIORITIES - MORE THAN ONE IN COMISS.)

TOPPRESS. If you had to choose which one of the following priorities is MOST pressing in the community where you live: (READ LIST OF R'S ITEMS OF EQUAL PRIORITY. RECORD ONE RESPONSE.)

COMRATE. Would you rate each of the following in your community as excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor: If it is not available at all in your community, please say so.

(ROTATE LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER FOR EACH ITEM.)

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Poor	Not Available	(DNR) Unsure	(DNR) Refused
a. Public schools .....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9
b. Protecting residents from crime .....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9
c. Health care services.....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9
d. The quality of the water and air .....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9
e. Cultural sites such as landmarks and museums .....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9
f. The amount of affordable housing .....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9
g. Public transportation .....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9
h. The quality of jobs .....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9
i. Child care or early education programs .....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9
j. Recreational activities for children and teens.....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9
k. Services for senior citizens .....	1	2	3	4	5	7	8	9

COMATTN. Does your community spend too much, too little, or about the right amount on:

(ROTATE LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER FOR EACH ITEM.)

	Too Much	Too Little	Right Amount	(DNR) Unsure	(DNR) Refused
a. Public schools .....	1	2	3	8	9
b. Protecting residents from crime .....	1	2	3	8	9
c. Health care services.....	1	2	3	8	9
d. The quality of the water and air .....	1	2	3	8	9
e. Cultural sites such as landmarks and museums.....	1	2	3	8	9
f. The amount of affordable housing .....	1	2	3	8	9
g. Public transportation .....	1	2	3	8	9
h. The quality of jobs .....	1	2	3	8	9
i. Child care or early education programs .....	1	2	3	8	9
j. Recreational activities for children and teens .....	1	2	3	8	9
k. Services for senior citizens .....	1	2	3	8	9

**GROWTH.** Overall, do you feel the amount of growth and development in your community is too much, too little, or about the right amount?

(RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

- Too much ..... 1
- Too little..... 2
- Right amount..... 3

- (Do NOT READ) ← [ Unsure ..... 8  
 Refused ..... 9

**VIEW.** Overall, do you feel that those individuals who are in positions to make decisions for your community mostly see things the way the public does or mostly see things differently than the public does?

(RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

- Mostly see things the way the public does ..... 1
- Mostly see things differently than the public ..... 2

- (Do NOT READ) ← [ Unsure ..... 8  
 Refused ..... 9

**LIVHV5.** Thinking about five years from now, do you plan to stay in the Hudson Valley or do you plan to move someplace else?

- Plan to stay..... 1
- Plan to move someplace else..... 2

- ← [ Unsure ..... 8  
 Refused ..... 9

(ASK LIVHV5MV IF R PLANS TO MOVE SOMEPLACE ELSE)

**LIVHV5MV.** What is the main reason you plan to move away from the Hudson Valley?

**COMCOST.** Overall, would you describe the cost of living in the Hudson Valley for the average family as very affordable, affordable, not very affordable, or not affordable at all?

- Very affordable ..... 1
- Affordable ..... 2
- Not very affordable ..... 3
- Not affordable at all ..... 4

- (Do NOT READ) ← [ Unsure ..... 8  
 Refused ..... 9

REGVOTE. Are you registered to vote at your current address?

(RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

(ASK PARREG)	← [	Yes .....	1
(SKIPTO IDEO)	← [	No .....	2
		Unsure .....	8
		Refused .....	9

PARTYR. Are you registered to vote as a Democrat, Republican, or an Independent, that is not enrolled in any party?

(RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

- 01 Democrat
- 05 Republican
- 03 or an Independent, that is not enrolled in any party?
- ==
- 81 DO NOT READ: CONSERVATIVE
- 82 DO NOT READ: LIBERAL
- 83 DO NOT READ: INDEPENDENCE-REFORM
- 84 DO NOT READ: GREEN
- 85 DO NOT READ: RIGHT TO LIFE
- 86 DO NOT READ: WORKING FAMILIES
- 97 DO NOT READ: OTHER
- 98 DO NOT READ: UNSURE
- 99 DO NOT READ: REFUSED

IDEO. Would you say your views in most political matters are liberal, moderate, or conservative?

(RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

		Liberal .....	1
		Moderate .....	2
		Conservative .....	3
(DO NOT READ)	← [	Unsure .....	8
		Refused .....	9

CIVIC. Do you regularly volunteer or are you active in a civic organization, a church, or a club?

		Yes .....	1
		No .....	2
(DO NOT READ)	← [	Unsure .....	8
		Refused .....	9

HOMEOWN. Do you own your own home or do you rent?

Own ..... 1  
Rent ..... 2

(DO NOT READ)

← [ Live with friends-parents-other ..... 7  
Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

(ASK OWNPROP IF R DOES NOT OWN A HOME.)

OWNPROP. Do you own a business or any property in New York State?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

(DO NOT READ)

← [ Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

(ASK HOMEINT IF R DOES NOT OWN A HOME.)

HOMEINT. Are you very interested, interested, not very interested, or not interested at all in buying a home in this area?

Very interested ..... 1  
Interested ..... 2  
Not very interested ..... 3  
Not interested at all ..... 4

(DO NOT READ)

← [ Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

(ASK HOMEINT IF R DOES NOT OWN A HOME.)

HOMEAFF. Do you think it is very likely, likely, not very likely, or not likely at all that you will be able to afford a home in this area?

Very likely ..... 1  
Likely ..... 2  
Not very likely ..... 3  
Not likely at all ..... 4

(DO NOT READ)

← [ Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

(ASK HOMEINT IF R DOES NOT OWN A HOME.)

HOMEMOV. If you cannot afford to buy a home here, are you likely to remain living in the Hudson Valley, or are you likely to move away?

Likely to remain in area ..... 1  
Likely to move away ..... 2

(DO NOT READ)

← [ Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

HHTOT. Including yourself, how many people including adults and children, live in your household?

NUMBER OF PEOPLE INCLUDING RESPONDENT --> \\_

HH1964. How many are adults between 19 and 64? --> \\_

HHSR. How many are adults over the age of 65? --> \\_

HHLESS5. How many are children under 5? --> \\_

HH5TO18. How many are children between 5 and 18 years old?--> \\_

HEALTHP. Do the adults in your household have health insurance or a health plan right now?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

One or more adult does but at least  
one does not ..... 7  
Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

(ASK HEALTHPK IF KIDS IN HH.)

HEALTHPK. Do the children in your household have health insurance or a health plan right now?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

One or more child does but at least  
one does not ..... 7  
Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

(ASK IF "YES" TO HEALTHP.)

**NOTHPL.** Was there ever a time in the past 12 months when an adult in your household did not have any health insurance or a health plan?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Unsure ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

(ASK NOTHPLK IF KIDS IN HH AND "YES" TO HEALTHPK.)

**NOTHPLK.** Was there ever a time in the past 12 months when a child in your household did not have any health insurance or a health plan?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Unsure ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

**RACE.** Are you white, African American or black, Latino or Hispanic, or Asian?

(DO NOT READ LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

- White ..... 1
- Black ..... 2
- (SKIPTO BRNNTUS) ←  Latino ..... 3
- Asian ..... 4
- Arab ..... 5
- American Indian ..... 6
- Other (SPECIFY: ) \_\_\_\_\_ ..... 7
- (DO NOT READ) ←  Unsure ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

(ASK RACEHISP IF RACE IS NOT LATINO.)

**RACEHISP.** Are you Hispanic or Latino background, such as Mexican, Dominican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Spanish background?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Unsure ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9
- Other ..... 7
- Refused ..... 9

**BRNNTUS.** Were you born in the United States or in another country?

Born in the U.S..... 1  
Born in another country ..... 2

(DO NOT READ) ← [ Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

**HOMLNG.** At home, do you normally speak English or another language?

Speak English..... 1  
Another language..... 2

(DO NOT READ) ← [ Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

(ASK HOMLNGS IF HOMLNG IS ANOTHER LANGUAGE.)

**HOMLNGS.** Which language do you speak at home? \_\_\_\_\_ Language

**HRD211.** Have you heard or read anything about a three digit phone number you can dial to get information in your community called a 2 - 1 - 1 service?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

(DO NOT READ) ← [ Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

**MARSTAT.** Are you currently married, living with a partner, separated, divorced, widowed, or never married?

(RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

Married..... 1  
Living with a partner ..... 2  
Separated ..... 3  
Divorced ..... 4  
Widowed ..... 5  
Never married..... 6  
Other (SPECIFY: ) \_\_\_\_\_ ..... 7

(DO NOT READ) ← [ Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

**DISABIL.** Do you have a chronic health problem - physical, emotional or mental - that limits the amount of work you can do at a job?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

(DO NOT READ)

← [ Unsure ..... 8  
Refused ..... 9

**WORKING.** Are you currently working for pay?

INTERVIEWER: IF RETIRED, ASK AGAIN: Are you currently working for pay?  
INCLUDES ANY WORK - REGARDLESS OF PART OR FULL TIME

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 5 RETIRED - NOT WORKING
- 6 RETIRED - WORKING FOR PAY
- 7 SELF-EMPLOYED
- 8 UNSURE
- 9 REFUSED

**WORK1A.** ASK IF WORKING(1,6,7)  
How many FULL time jobs do you have?

INTERVIEWER: ENTER NUMBER OF FULL TIME JOBS.  
ENTER 98 FOR UNSURE.  
ENTER 99 FOR REFUSED.

**WORK1B.** ASK IF WORKING(1,6,7)  
How many PART time jobs do you have?

INTERVIEWER: ENTER NUMBER OF PART TIME JOBS.  
ENTER 98 FOR UNSURE.  
ENTER 99 FOR REFUSED.

**WORKING2.** ASK IF HHSIZE(2) AND (HH1964(01-10) OR HHSR(01-10))  
How many other adults in your household are currently working for pay?

INTERVIEWER: ENTER NUMBER OF OTHER ADULTS ARE WORKING FOR PAY.  
ENTER 98 FOR UNSURE.  
ENTER 99 FOR REFUSED.

**WORK2A.** ASK IF [WORKING2#1-10]  
Thinking about the other adults in the household that are working,  
  
How many FULL time jobs do the OTHER adults in the household that are working have?

INTERVIEWER: ENTER NUMBER OF FULL TIME JOBS.  
ENTER 98 FOR UNSURE.  
ENTER 99 FOR REFUSED.

**WORK2B. ASK IF [WORKING2#1-10]**

How many PART time jobs do the OTHER adults in the household that are working have?

INTERVIEWER: ENTER NUMBER OF PART TIME JOBS.  
ENTER 98 FOR UNSURE.  
ENTER 99 FOR REFUSED.

**WORKIN2. ASK IF WORKING(2,5)**

Are you currently looking for work?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 8 UNSURE
- 9 REFUSED

**WORKIN2a. ASK IF HHSIZE(2) AND (HH1964(01-10) OR HHSR(01-10))**

Are there any other adults in your household that are currently looking for work?

- 1 YES
- 2 NO
- 8 UNSURE
- 9 REFUSED

(ASK WORKTRAV OF THOSE WHO ARE EMPLOYED)

**WORKTRAV.** On most workdays, do you commute to work by car by yourself, car pool with other adults, or do you take public transportation such as a bus, train, or subway?

(RECORD ONE ANSWER. IF MORE THAN ONE RECORD LONGEST DISTANCE)

- Commute to work by car by self ..... 1
- Commute to work by car pool ..... 2
- Commute to work by public transport ..... 3

- (DO NOT READ. SKIP TO FINDJOB .) ← [
- Walk to work ..... 6
  - Work at home ..... 7
- (DO NOT READ.) ← [
- Unsure ..... 8
  - Refused ..... 9

(ASK WORKMIN OF THOSE WHO ARE EMPLOYED AND DO NOT WORK AT HOME)

**WORKMIN.** In minutes, how long does it take you to get one way from home to work?  
\_\_\_\_\_ minutes

(ASK FINDJOB OF THOSE WHO ARE EMPLOYED)

**FINDJOB.** If you were to lose your job, would it be very difficult, difficult, not very difficult, or not difficult at all to find another similar position about the same distance from your home?

- Very difficult ..... 1
- Difficult ..... 2
- Not very difficult ..... 3
- Not difficult at all ..... 4

- (Do NOT READ.) ← [
- Unsure ..... 8
  - Refused ..... 9

**AFFORDA-I.** Thinking about an average month, how much financial strain does each of the following put on your family budget: a great deal of financial strain, a good amount, not very much, or none at all? If something doesn't apply to you, please say so.

(ROTATE LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER FOR EACH ITEM.)

	A Great Deal	A Good Amount	Not Very Much	None at All	Does not apply
a. The cost of gasoline.....	1	2	3	4	7
b. The cost of public transportation such as buses or trains .....	1	2	3	4	7
c. Your rent or mortgage.....	1	2	3	4	7
d. Heat and electricity .....	1	2	3	4	7
e. Property taxes .....	1	2	3	4	7
f. Child care.....	1	2	3	4	7
g. Paying or saving for private school or college .....	1	2	3	4	7
h. Health care costs or medical expenses NOT including health insurance.....	1	2	3	4	7
i. Health insurance .....	1	2	3	4	7

**MONJOB2.** If you lost your job or household income, about how many months do you think it would be until you no longer had enough money to pay your monthly bills and expenses?

\_\_\_\_\_ number of months

EDUC. What is the last year of school you completed?

(DO NOT READ LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER. IF "COLLEGE", ASK: Was that 2 year or 4 year?)

- Less than high school ..... 1
- Graduated high school or equivalency degree ..... 2
- Some college ..... 3
- Associate degree (2 years college) ..... 4
- Bachelors degree (4 years college) ..... 5
- Graduate or professional degree..... 6
- Other (Specify)..... 7
- Unsure..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

PASSIST: Are you or anyone in your household currently receiving public assistance such as welfare, or food stamps or any such emergency help?

(INTERVIEWER: DO NOT INCLUDE SOCIAL SECURITY - DO INCLUDE SSI)

- (SKIPTO PASSISTH) ← [ Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
  - Unsure ..... 8
  - Refused ..... 9

PASSISTF: Have you or anyone in your household received public assistance such as welfare, or food stamps or any such emergency help in the past 12 months?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Unsure ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

PASSISTH: Are you currently living in public or government subsidized housing?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Unsure ..... 8
- Refused ..... 9

ECODIFA-F. In the past 12 months did you experience any of the following every month, some months but not others, a couple of times, once, or not at all?

(ROTATE LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER FOR EACH ITEM.)

	Every Month	Some Not Others	A Couple of Times	Once	Not at All	(DNR) Unsure
a. You cut the size of your meals or skipped meals because there wasn't enough money for food .....	1	2	3	4	5	8
b. You got emergency food from a church, a food pantry, or food bank .....	1	2	3	4	5	8
c. You did not have enough money to pay your mortgage, rent, or utility bills .....	1	2	3	4	5	8
d. You moved in with other people even for a little while because you could not afford to pay your mortgage, rent, or utility bills.....	1	2	3	4	5	8
e. You missed or skipped a doctor's appointment because you could not afford to pay for it .....	1	2	3	4	5	8
f. You did not buy needed medicine because you did not have the money to pay for it .....	1	2	3	4	5	8

ZIPCODE. What is your zip code? \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTHYR2. In which year were you born?

ENTER THE LAST TWO DIGITS OF THE RESPONDENT'S BIRTH YEAR --> 19 \\_

INC15\_2. Is your combined family income before taxes: Please stop me when I get to your category. (READ LIST. RECORD ONE ANSWER.)

- 01 less than \$15,000 dollars a year,
- 02 \$15,000 to just under \$25,000,
- 03 \$25,000 to just under \$30,000,
- 04 \$30,000 to just under \$50,000,
- 05 \$50,000 to just under \$75,000,
- 06 \$75,000 to just under \$100,000, or
- 07 \$100,000 or more?
- 98 DO NOT READ: UNSURE
- 99 DO NOT READ: REFUSED

SEX.

- 1 MALE
- 2 FEMALE