

Huntington Highlands Neighborhood Annual Survey

February, 2020

What do you like most about the Huntington Highlands neighborhood?

- the park-like feeling
- Walkability, quiet, nice people, “interesting” wildlife
- It is quiet and friendly. 'Mostly' well kept.
- The neighborhood's clean/safe appearance has been retained. Yards and homes are well-maintained, no derelict cars or excessive driveway parking is present. Neighbors are friendly and it is a nice environment to go for a walk. Neighbors look out for each other.
- Wide streets. Well-kept and maintained yards and properties.
- Woodsy and not too crowded. People are very friendly.
- We love all our neighbors throughout the neighborhood.
- Quiet and everybody tries to keep things well maintained
- The general neighbor environment, its appearance and that it is nice and quiet.
- Large well-kept lots, landscaping and house paint; Seems to be relatively safe. The board communicates when issues arise. Sense of community building with events.
- The appearance—very well kept up
- Quiet
- Nice homes, mostly well maintained, private, schools
- Houses have a lot of land
- visual appeal;
- Friendly neighbors, lots of people walk regularly, dog walkers also. People have a good way of keeping their properties clean and presentable.
- Good property value, good sense of community.
- Quiet, woods around the area, houses are well maintained
- The sense of community and knowing my neighbors. It also feels safe as neighbors watch out for each other. I also like the social events.
- Great neighbors and lovely setting... homes maintained well.
- It is quiet, nice neighbors, good schools, safe.
- The wonderful neighbors!
- The neighbors and the sense of community
- I love the quiet, green setting.
- The social activities (they've allowed us to meet many of our neighbors), the overall feel of the neighborhood (peaceful but active - lots of walkers, bikers, etc), and the cleanliness of it.

What are your biggest concerns about our neighborhood?

- Safety and protecting our children, pets.
- Lack of snow removal. However, King county is responsible for that and they decided that unincorporated areas don't count. A lot of traffic through the neighborhood as well.
- The occasional house that is neglected and run down becomes an eyesore. As in any neighborhood these days, 'crime' causes concern, but awareness and sharing notices helps.
- Lack of young families
- No real concerns.
- That the HHCO may not have new leadership (when the time comes) and standards will be abandoned
- The landscaping of certain homes (which is in the CC & R's) and to always continue to monitor the paint colors chosen for the exterior of the homes. The garbage cans that are left to see in the front of their homes (also, in the CC & R's).
- Homeowners not keeping their yards/property well maintained per the the community covenants, including keeping gravel road shoulders weed free.
- Pet owners not picking the animal waste and disposing property.
- Cars blowing through the four way stop at NE 194th without stopping, creating a very dangerous intersection.
- Homeowners garbage cans visible from the street and not properly stowed away.
- Aggressive, threatening dogs, Limited sense of neighborliness & sociability
- Possible easy pickings for crime.
- Residents not complying with the HHCO, which will impact the value of the neighborhood. The front entrance and roundabout gardens need seasonal flowers. Ensure everyone pays their annual dues, so improvements can be made.
- Unnecessary tree removal.
- Theft still happening from time to time.
- Mail theft, break ins.
- Having to drive through other areas to get to HH that are not as nice,
- The neighbors that don't maintain their yards. It affects the quality of the neighborhood and could have an effect on property values.
- I wish we were in the city limits of Woodinville.
- Want to make sure yards are somewhat maintained.
- Keeping our homes and landscape (investment) visually appealing
- We have not lived here long enough to have any real concerns yet. We do worry about what might happen in the future if some of the more established homeowners continue to move out, as it seems like several of them are the ones keeping the social aspect going.

What do you wish we could do as a neighborhood organization that would increase a sense of community, safety, or home value?

- Higher attendance at our existing HHCO events

- Encourage homeowners to do a better job of keeping lawns and landscaping kept up
- Attractive street lighting
- Community sports location would bring people together. For example, a tennis court or swimming pool.
- I think the Homeowner's Association has done a very good job keeping our sense of community. The different events throughout the year is great! The emails that the HOA sends out regarding safety and security is so helpful.
- I prefer the status quo.
- Enforce the HH covenants as noted above, yard maintenance, out of sight garbage cans, etc. Keep your yards and home well and appropriately maintained ALL neighbors as it will immediately improve neighborhood aesthetics and property value. Four-way stop safety as mentioned above. Homeowners neglecting to clean up fallen leaves that prevent street drains from functioning properly.
- I'm yes for the Halloween party if there are enough families with children who will participate.
- Stricter regulation of aggressive dog behavior; More social events, including events outside the neighborhood to minimize the need for finding hosts
- Hire a maintenance crew to maintain islands and easements along roads.
- Summer block party
- Neighborhood watch, more group communication via email or web
- Provide a monthly/quarterly update as to funds expended. See below.
- Christmas caroling event
- Add neighborhood gates at the other entrances, have a neighborhood directory
- Somehow make some of the neighbors maintain and clean up their front yards.
- Street lighting
- I wish we had a small little community park with a small playground for neighborhood kids to use. Cottage lake is close, but not really walkable. Or somewhere that is considered an area for neighborhood use other than people's homes.
- Continue with the social gatherings. Maybe have one of the gatherings with the adults only.
- Get more people involved in the organization with fresh ideas
- I wish our streets had some lights on when it's dark outside. They don't need to be super bright, or high up. It is very dark at 6:30am- when HS school walk to the bus stop, and early in the evening- when people walk their dogs etc.

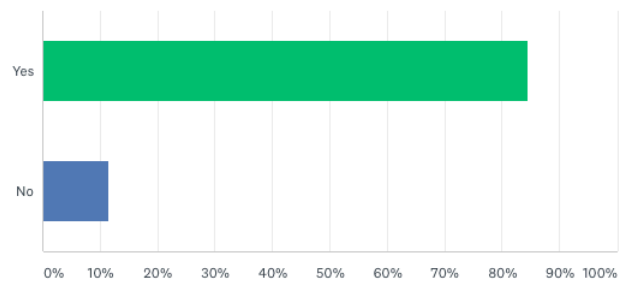
Other comments:

- Clubs sound interesting, but I am super busy with work. Maybe in the future...
- For Halloween, maybe some kind of neighborhood trunk or treat, or something to make it easier for young kids.

- Because we are gone so much, we can't really be involved in hosting or participating in HOA or social events on a regular basis, but if we are available, we would love to. We love this neighborhood and living in Woodinville!
- Thank you again this year to Matt, our neighborhood resident snow plower!
- I like the neighborhood summer and winter socials, however maybe it could be changed to a potluck and the HOA funds can be used just for the drinks. I think more people might volunteer to host this way because it's way less stressful worrying about food.
- It would be nice if we could lobby for fiber or other internet options sooner rather than later in our neighborhood.
- My kids are grown, so I would not host children related parties
- HHCO should provide transparency as to funds spent. I would like to see copies of the budget, either by snailmail or email — not just at the annual meeting.
- I hear there are clubs. Where do I find out about these clubs?
- Regarding #6: I checked "yes" because we really like the social gatherings, but we also have no idea what the Halloween party even is.

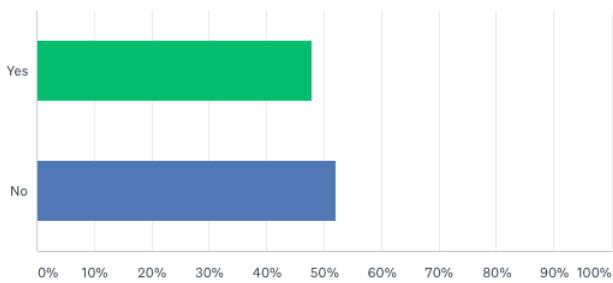
Would you be willing to participate in infrequent meetings and some email dialog to help us make the community better?

Answered: 26 Skipped: 1



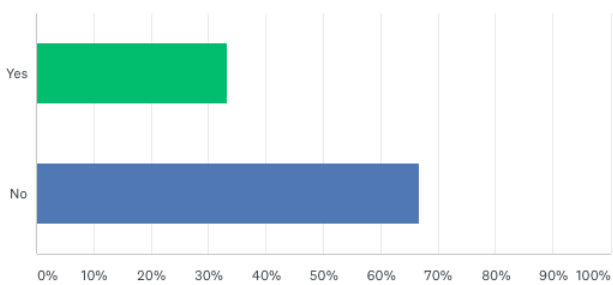
Do you think we should revive the annual Halloween party?

Answered: 23 Skipped: 4



Would you be open to hosting a social event at your house?

Answered: 24 Skipped: 3



Huntington Highlands has a couple of neighborhood clubs. Would you be interested in participating in Bunko or other clubs?

Answered: 25 Skipped: 2

