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How Do Residents Describe Health Assets in Their Neighborhood?



SURVEYS

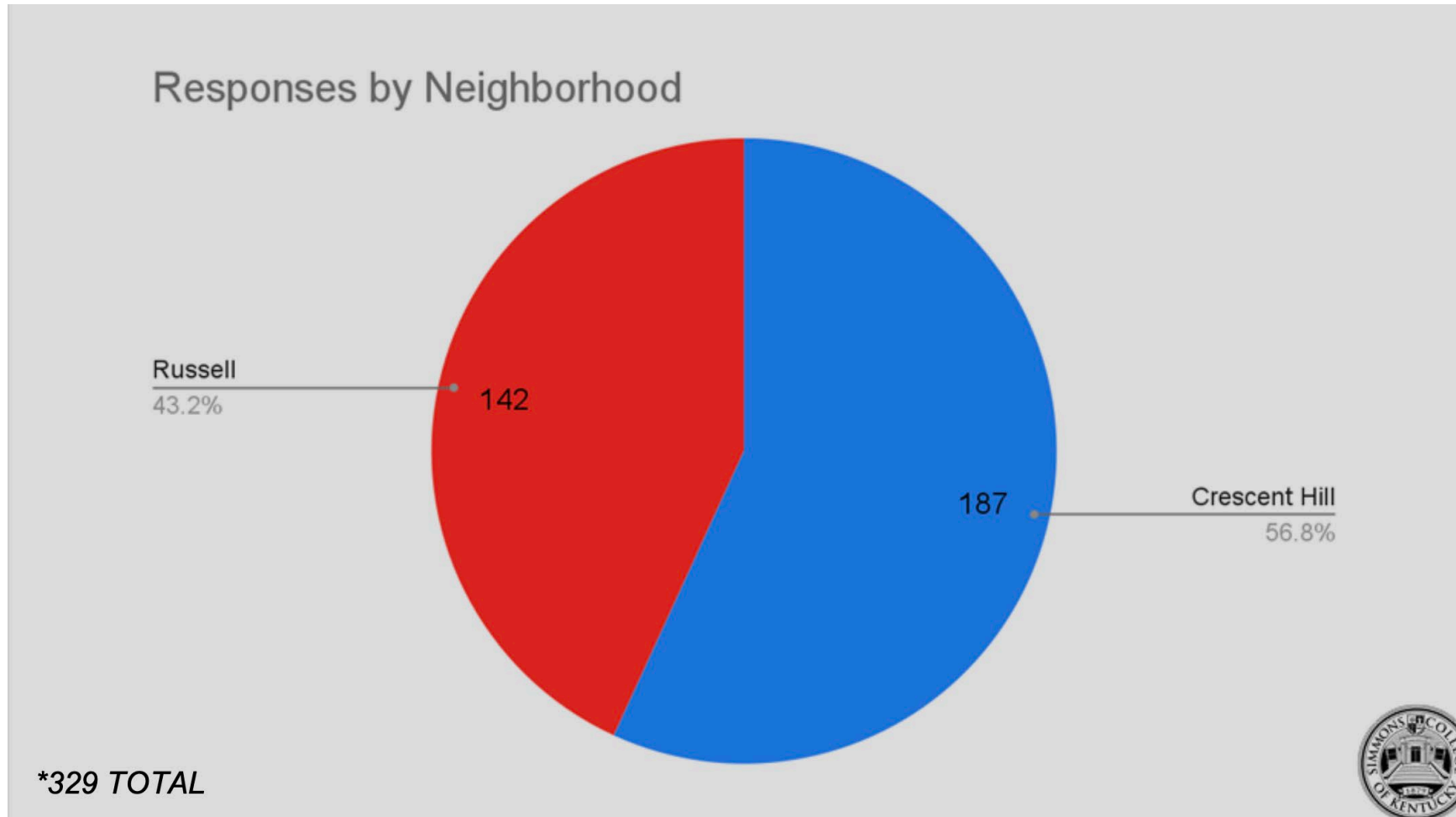


FOCUS GROUPS



KEY NEIGHBORHOOD
INFORMANTS

Surveys



Focus Group Composition

Four focus group interviews were conducted, three in Crescent Hill, and one with participants from both neighborhoods.

	Number of Participants	Mean Years in Neighborhood	Range of Years in Neighborhood	Race
MIX	2 CH 3 RU	20 years	CH 8-33	WH/BL
CH 1	5	2 years	2-3	WH
CH 2	3	20 years	6-29	WH
CH 3	3	28 years	17-38	WH
	Total = 13			

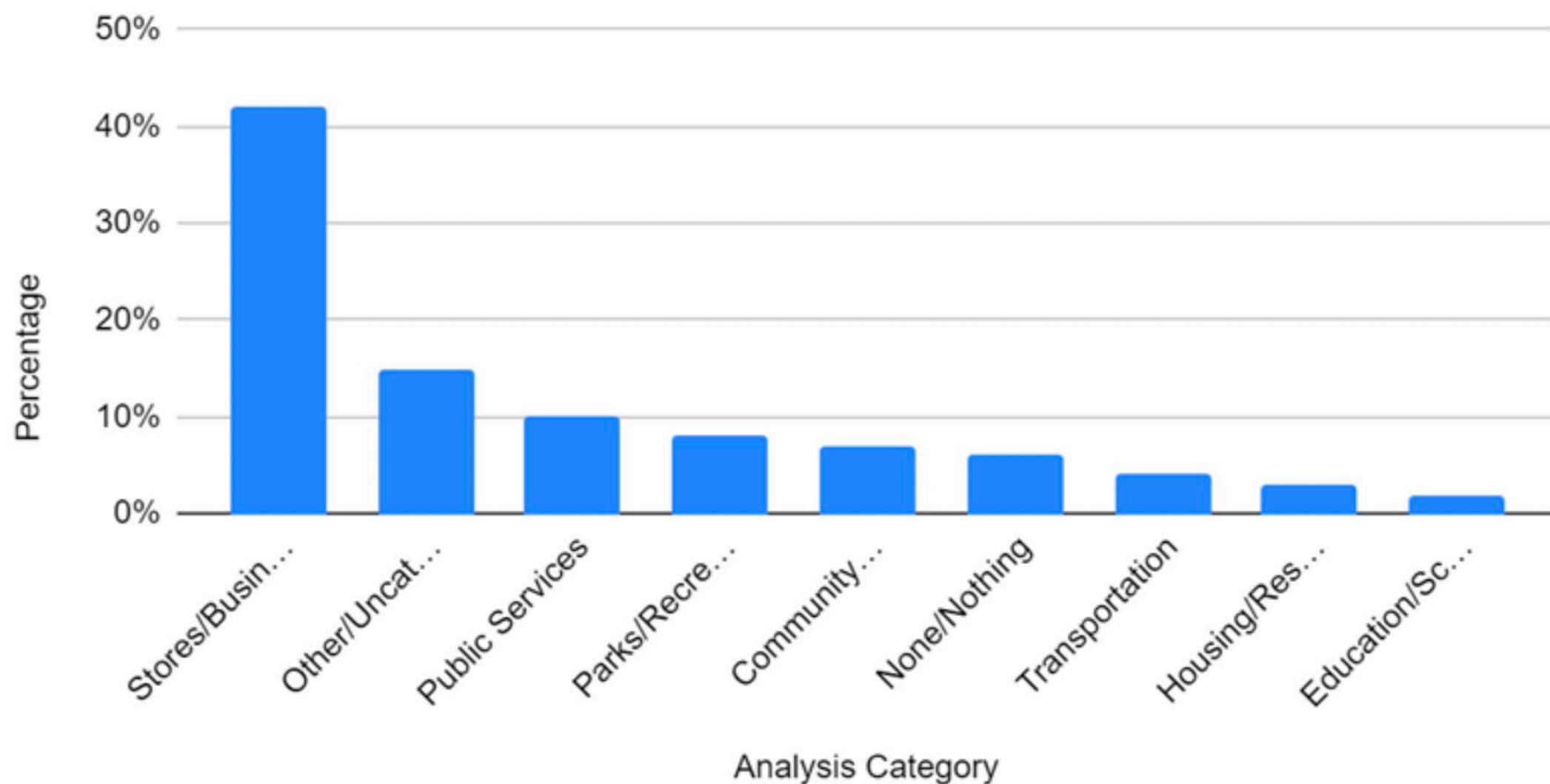


Key Neighborhood Informant Interviews

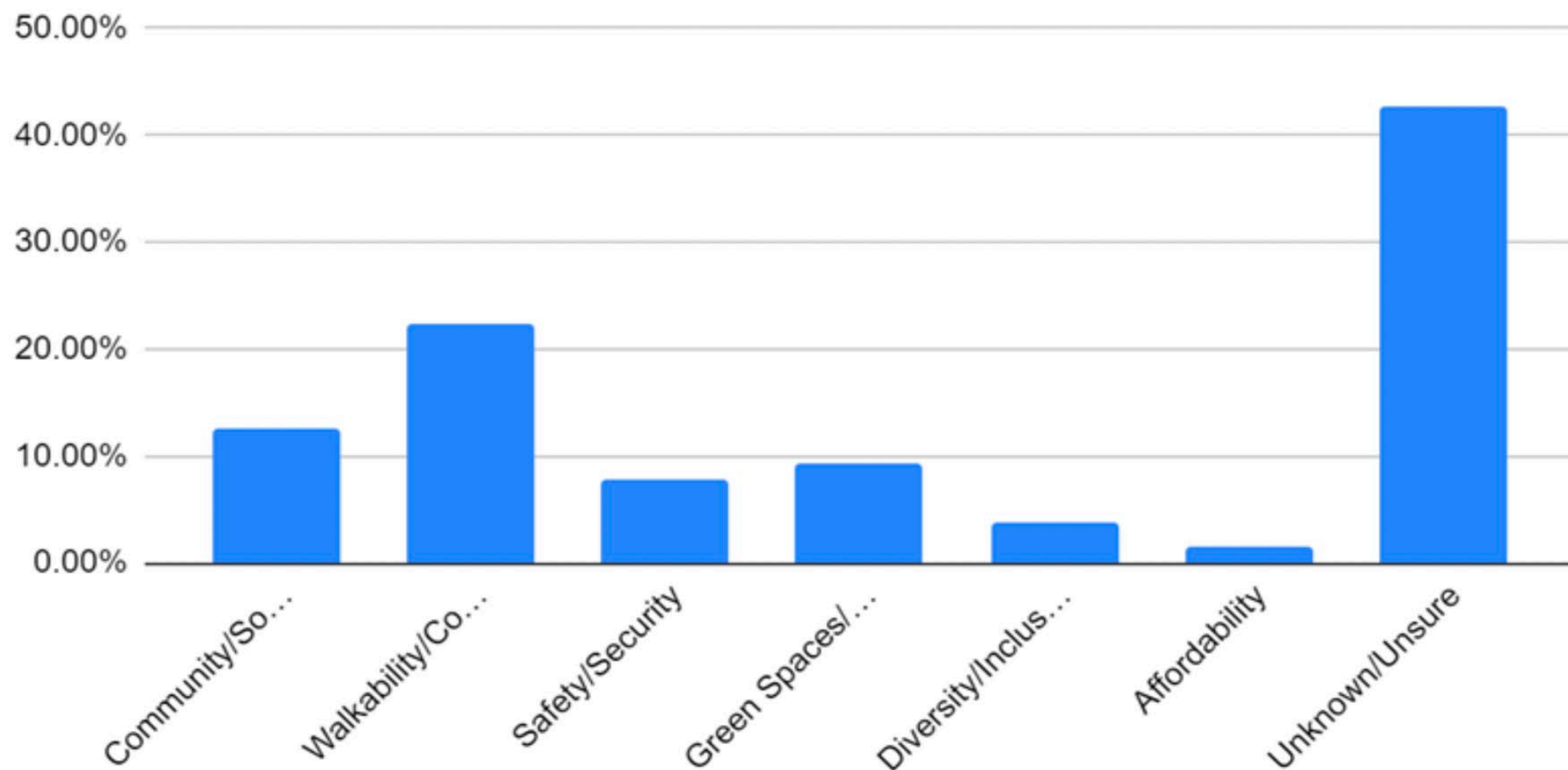
- Key informant interviews (KIIs) are qualitative in-depth interviews with people who know what is going on in the community.
 - The KIIs were identified by focus group participants in both neighborhoods.
 - Eleven (5 in CH and 6 in Russell) KIIs were conducted by Dr. Camara Douglas.
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What Do Residents
Identify as Health Assets
in their Neighborhoods?

3. What are the top three resources you use in this neighborhood?



4. What adds to the wellbeing of people living in this neighborhood?



FG: What Contributes to Health in This Neighborhood?

1. Walkability and Bicycle Friendly – Sidewalks/bike paths
2. Public Recreational Spaces
 - Mary T. Meagher Aquatic Center
 - Crescent Hill Park
3. Green Spaces – Parks, trees, dog park
4. Proximity to Healthcare -
5. Access to healthy food – Farmer's markets, restaurants
6. Pets, social cohesion, public transportation, higher income, safety

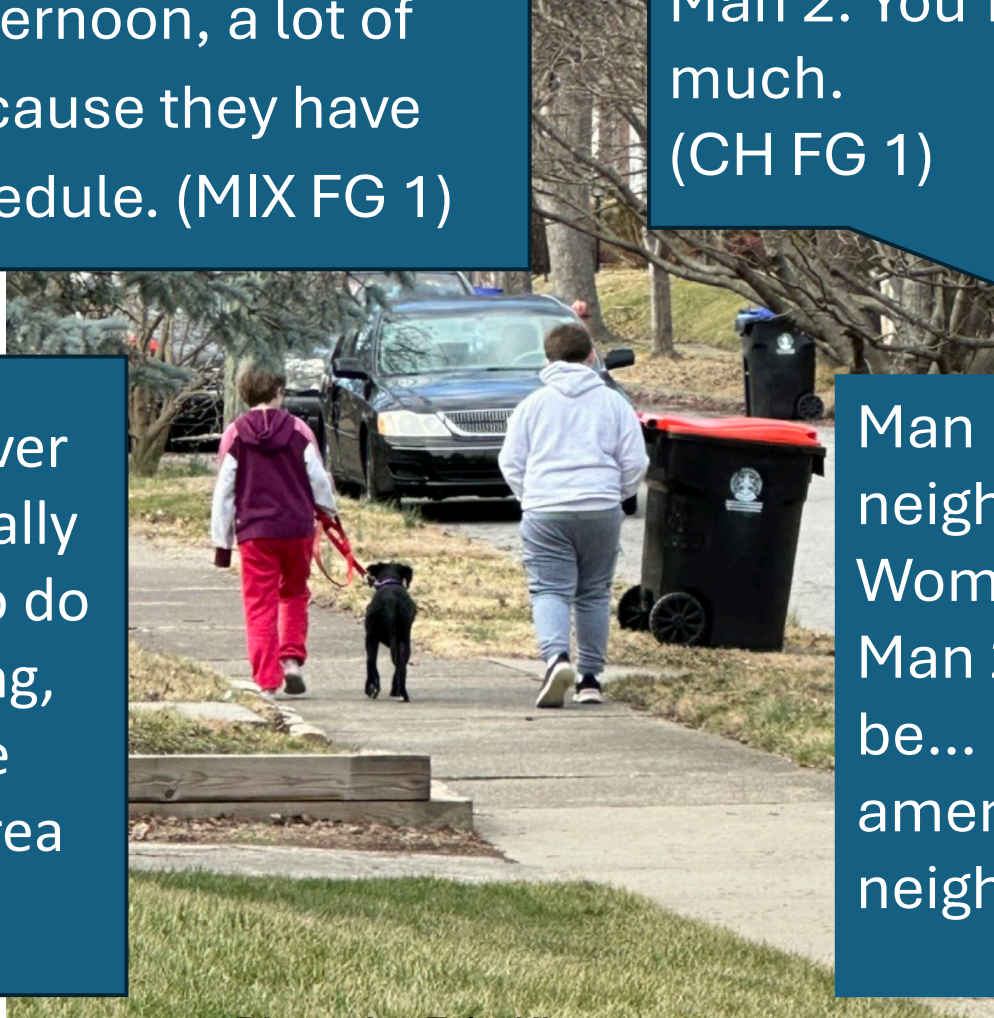
What Contributes to the Health of Your Neighborhood?

Yeah, there's a lot of people that walk and walk their dogs a lot, like in the morning and in the afternoon, a lot of people are friends because they have the same walking schedule. (MIX FG 1)

Man 1: Well, like living in a safe neighborhood.

Man 2: You're not stressed out about as much.
(CH FG 1)

I like to ride my bike over Frankfort Ave... I normally see people going out to do exercise. Either walking, running or doing the bicycles around this area
(CH FG 2)



Man 1: It's a very walkable neighborhood.

Woman: Lots of trees.

Man 2: Lots of outdoor places to be... Lots of services and amenities are right in the neighborhood. (CH FG3)

Photo by Erin Klarer

KII: What's working well in this neighborhood?

- Activist, politically empowered community
- Crescent Hill Community Council
- Have Metro Council's ear
- Housing quality and maintenance
- Annual Events: 4th of July, Chili Cook-off
- Neighborhood newsletter
- Neighbors – helpful, compassionate, sociable
- Camaraderie during crises – 1974 tornado, recent chemical plant explosion
- Faith communities and charitable work
- Walkability, bikeable
- Proximity to healthcare
- Unique: Reservoir, Blue Dog Bakery,

What's working well in this neighborhood?

It is a neighborhood that is mostly residential, and you have kind of the Frankfort Ave. corridor where you have a lot of restaurants and then you have some other businesses, small businesses along through there.

The way that the Community Council is organized, they split it up into different districts... And they try and get a neighborhood captain out and get people involved.

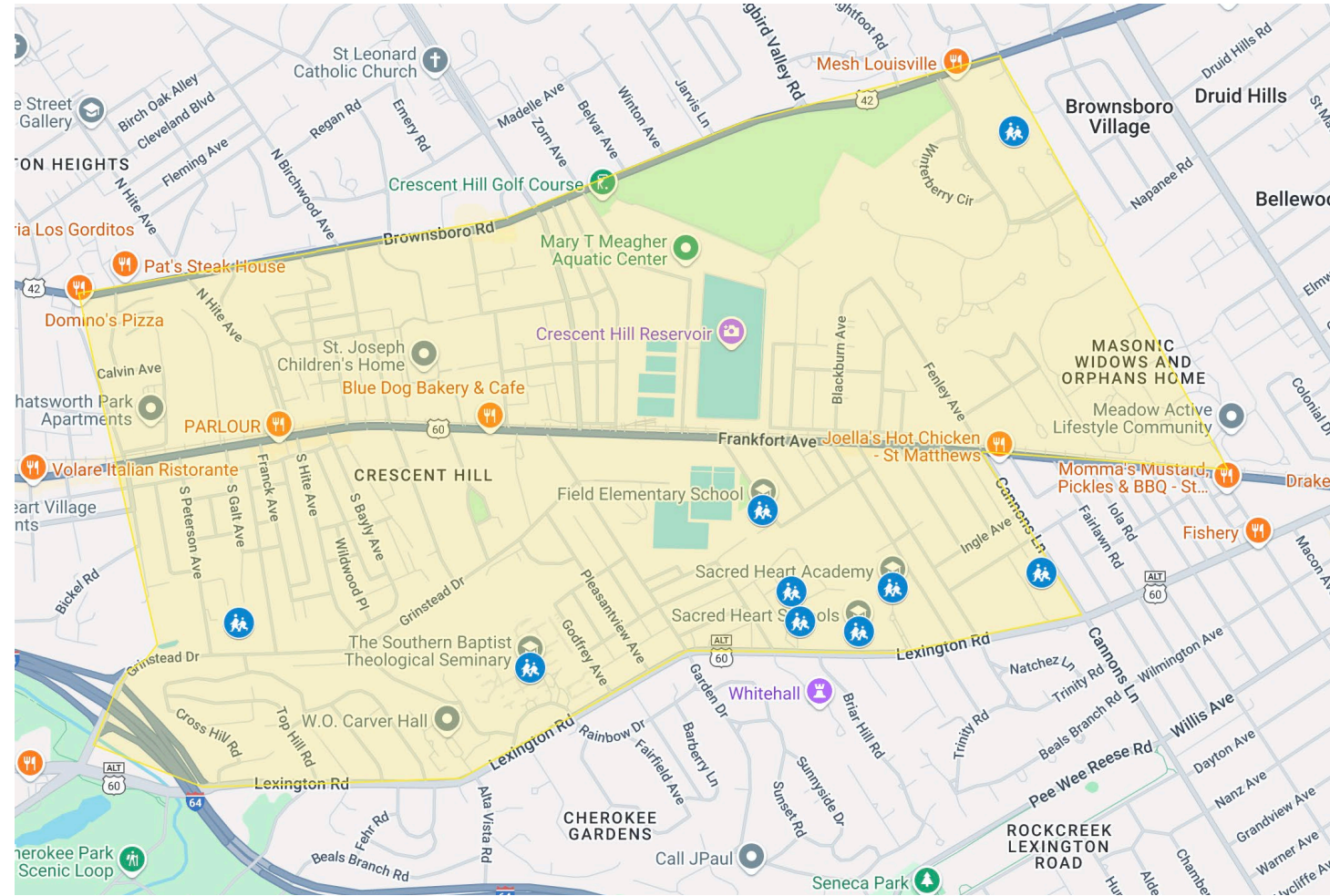
I think it's already a beautiful neighborhood. I think that our neighbors do a good job of maintaining their properties.

Unique Assets in This Neighborhood

- Access to education & high levels of education



Photos by Erin Klarer





Efficacy for Neighborhood Change

What are residents' beliefs about their ability to make their neighborhoods better places?

9. I'm interested in finding solutions to improve my neighborhood.

Strongly Disagreed

0.6%

Unsure

10.8%

Disagreed

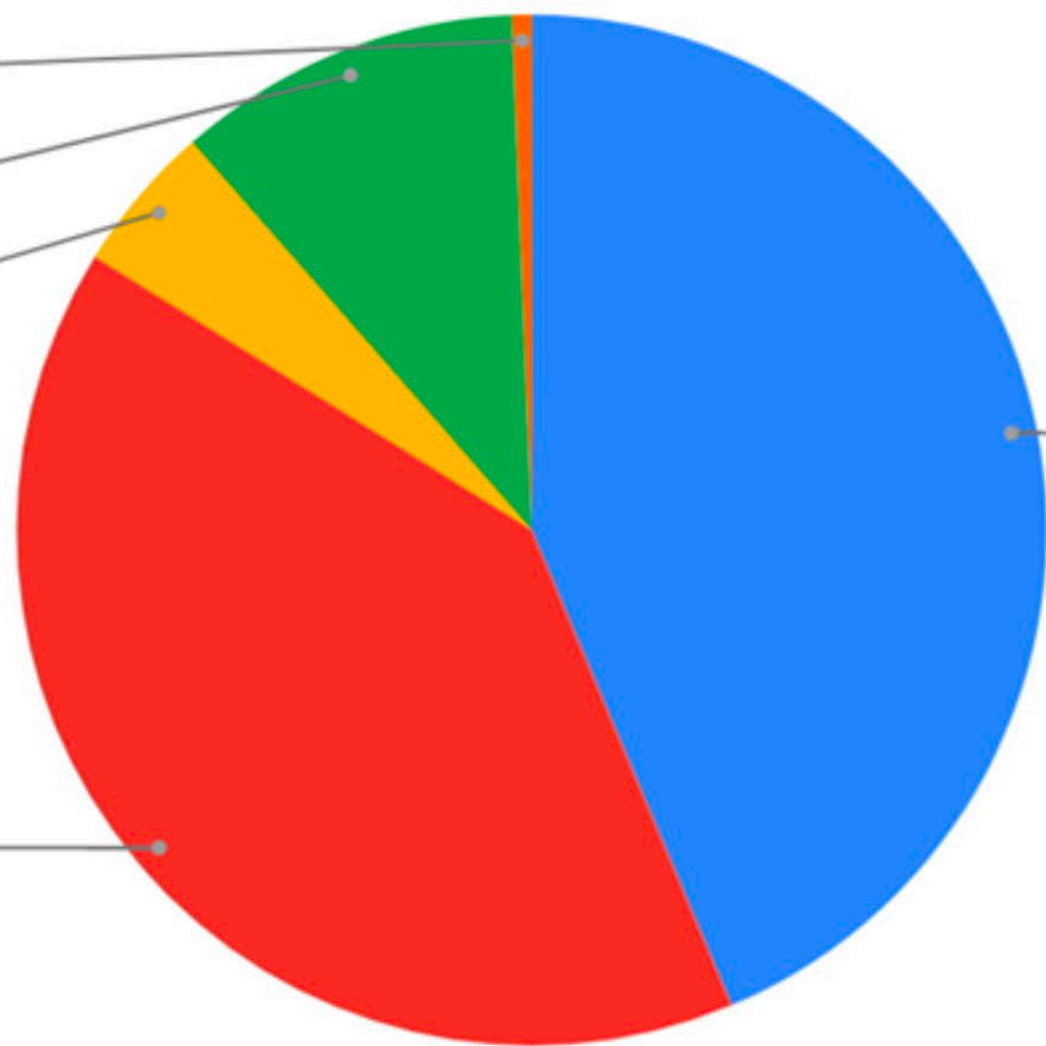
4.6%

Agreed

40.2%

Strongly Agreed

43.7%



FG: How do Residents Participate in Neighborhood Change?

- Stay informed by attending neighborhood meetings and reading neighborhood newsletter
- Service: Neighborhood council, Brightside neighborhood clean-up, and Garden Club
- Know and have access to their city councilman and neighborhood council
- See social cohesion and communication connected to change

But in part because we're much more politically powerful neighborhood in the city than where most of the murders are happening... I mean you can't deny that (CH FG3)

If you call (their councilman) about something that needs to be fixed or attended to, or they'll tell you who you need to... I did talk to someone who's on the Crescent Hill Community Board(CH FG 1)

...we have a Garden Club in Crescent Hill, and one time we planted that whole hill over there... (CH FG 2)

...the things that are most positive in our community come from people volunteering their time to make those things happen. (MIX CH resident)

KII: Advocacy Skills and Willingness to Serve

...the Community Council is organized, they split it up into different districts in Crescent Hill or neighborhoods within Crescent Hill. And they try and get a neighborhood captain out and get people involved. And I think that's gotten a little bit more to the forefront in terms of people knowing each other. That's the key is, you know...

...one of the things that is a part of this organization that helped start us and has continued to keep us strong are the faith communities, the Community Council and other groups within Crescent Hill in particular that that have quite a bit of resources. And so those communities have been strong supporters of ours and where we get quite a bit of volunteers from ...