

TRUE NORTH CAMPUS

Community Engagement Summary Report

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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Phase 1 public engagement for the proposed True North Campus, the redevelopment of Portage Place, has been completed and included:

- Establishment of a working group
- Stakeholder meetings with key organizations and entities
- A pop-up public engagement with in-person survey collection
- An online survey
- Focus group meetings for social planning organizations

The working group was developed to be a network of communication for local community interest groups and stakeholders, to ensure voices from all age groups and backgrounds are heard, to provide an opportunity for shared learning, regardless of perspective, to provide a critical first look and initial comments on draft material and concepts. The initial meeting was May 1, 2023, and provided direction on the proposed stakeholders to consult, and gave direction on five conversations that helped to structure the public consultation. These are:

- Inclusive and Welcoming
- Healthy Downtown
- Important Amenities
- Safety and Wellbeing
- Economic Development

A ranking exercise was also done to gain perspective on what the group saw as the key uses for the development in the categories of Housing and Food, Neighbourhood Services and Public Spaces. This provided the list of amenities for the survey questions to the public.

The seven stakeholder meetings followed the same format as the working group meeting and helped to inform the presentation to the community and the questions for the public survey.

The pop-up event on May 30 was very well attended and we received 264 completed surveys. There were also extensive conversations with the participants that provided insight into how they use the space now and what they would like improved.

The initial online survey provided a further 210 responses. This was followed up with focus group meetings and an extension of the survey for targeted groups such as Investors Group, youth groups with Art City, and the social planning organizations that brought another 228 responses.

SURVEY RESPONSE ANALYSIS: TYPES AND QUANTITIES

Online Surveys (May 22 – June 5)	210
In-Person Pop-up (May 30)	264
Targeted Interest Groups (July 4 to July 21, 2023)	228
Total	**702**

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The total number of survey responses was 702. The information in the survey allowed for analysis of the data for those that identified as living in the area. This broke out 202 of the survey responses for both in-person and online. The overall results of the survey and this subset are very similar and have provided key components to be considered in the overall design of the campus. This illustrates the top three ranked elements for each question.

COMMUNITY SURVEY SUGGESTIONS FOR THE DEVELOPMENT

Rank	Highest Ranked Item	Category	No. of Choices	Avg Score	Weighted Score
1	Grocery Store	Food	6	5.18	86%
2	Affordable Housing	Housing	8	5.85	73%
3	Prairie Theater Exchange	Art and Culture	7	4.55	65%
4	Access to Washrooms	Greenspace	13	8.19	63%
5	Downtown Community Safety Pro-gram	Services	14	8.69	62%

The collective comments obtained from the surveys reflect the desire of the community to have the development be responsive to the needs of the neighbourhood for affordable living that is safe and accessible. The surveys, coupled with the discussions during in-person engagements and meetings, also highlight the community's inclination for a development that embraces an open and inviting atmosphere, catering to the needs of all members of the Winnipeg community, regardless of demographic background.

KEY PRIORITIZED COMPONENTS - THE TOP 5-10 SELECTIONS

Rank	Item	Category	No. 1 Rankings
1	Grocery Store	Food	512
2	Affordable Housing	Housing	287
3	Prairie Theater Exchange	Art	256
4	Movie Theater	Art	166
5	Skywalk Connection	Greenspace	164
6	Access to washrooms	Greenspace	152
7	Downtown Community Safety Pro-gram	Services	148
8	Rent Geared to Income	Housing	148
9	Mental Health & Addictions	Services	122
T10	Public Art	Art	92
T10	Community green with outdoor and indoor programing	Greenspace	92

ADDITIONAL IDEAS FROM THE COMMUNITY:

- Make the design for the neighbourhood, inclusive and affordable, so that those who use the space now are not forced out.
- Have partnerships with other health agencies in the area to avoid duplication of services and to gain advice on opportunities and issues in the neighbourhood.
- Have a community group, like the working group, to advise on the uses and spaces for the community area. This will assist in making the spaces successful for the neighbourhood.
- Partner with housing organizations for any affordable housing to gain insight into the issues and needs of the community.
- Have an Indigenous member of the design team.
- Community-based safety rather than security guards.
- The focus for the community is affordability. This is in housing, retail, food, and services. They are concerned that this will be another development for the elite and is not for the entire demographic of the neighbourhood.

1.0 INTRODUCTION

This comprehensive report outlines the Public Engagement Team's engagement process, reflecting their commitment to gathering vital insights from the community, stakeholders, and targeted groups.

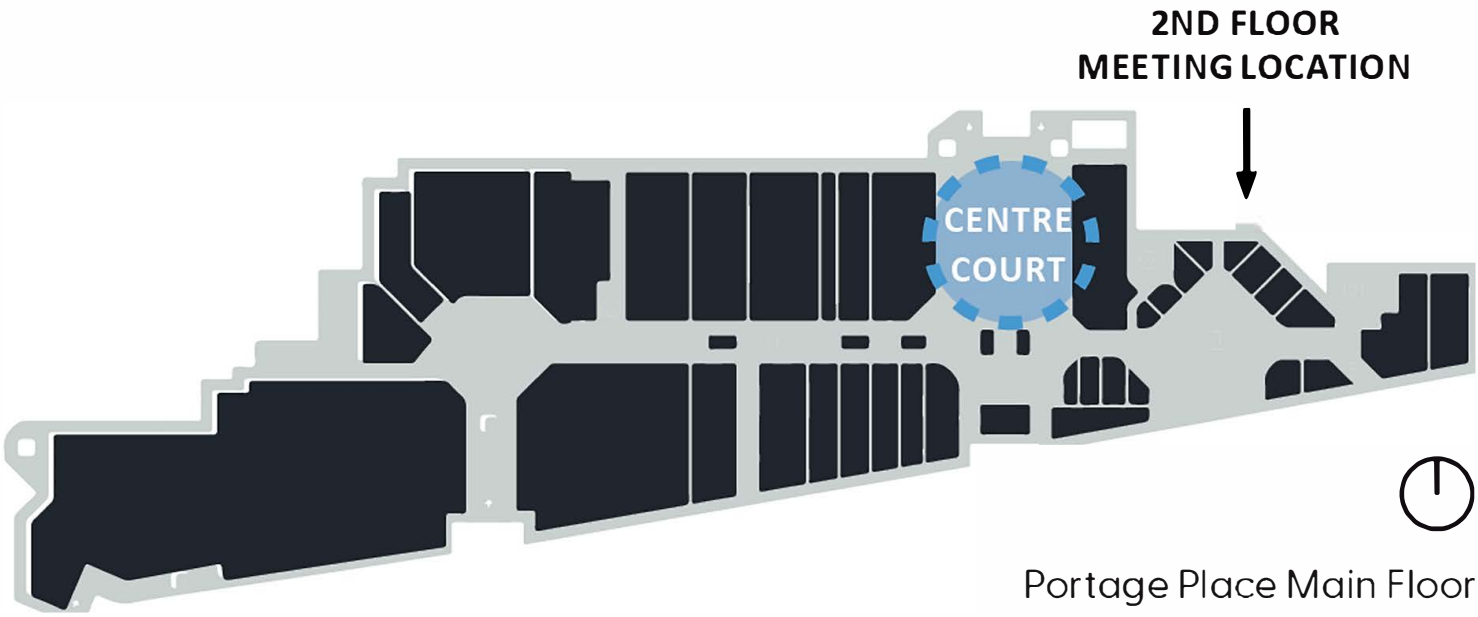
Emphasizing inclusivity and collaboration, our engagement strategy encompassed diverse approaches, including a working group, stakeholder meetings, a well-attended pop-up public event, an extensive online survey, and focused discussions with key organizations. Valuable input from these groups generally helped substantiate the proposed preliminary conceptual vision. This input will also help inform the evolution of the design moving forward.

The working group, as a proficient communication network, promoted constructive dialogue and provided valuable input on draft materials and conceptual ideas. Its guidance helped direct the consultation process, centring on discussions revolving around inclusivity, a thriving downtown, essential amenities, safety and well-being, and sustainable economic growth.

The data derived from the pop-up event and online survey proved to be significant, revealing crucial insights into demographics, visitation trends, and community priorities concerning housing, neighbourhood services, arts and culture, green spaces, and more.

This report highlights the various results from the survey, comments from the working and/or stakeholder group and community-suggested ideas, including building strategic partnerships with health agencies, incorporating indigenous perspectives, and implementing community-based safety measures.

We extend our sincere appreciation to all participants who generously provided their time and insights to Phase 1 of the public engagement process. Their contributions, spanning the working group, stakeholder meetings, the pop-up public event, online survey, have been important in shaping the outcomes reflected in this report. Their commitment to this effort has helped enriched the understanding of Downtown Winnipeg and Portage Place, and set a strong foundation for future decision-making.



Location of the pop-up event and the basecamp location for the working group meetings

1.1 Public Engagement Process

The Public Engagement Team took an inclusive and diligent approach by involving key downtown organizations and stakeholders in stakeholder meetings and establishing a working group in early May. The team chose a vacant retail space in Portage Place Mall as their primary basecamp and meeting location, ensuring continuity and accessibility for all participants.

Emphasizing collaboration, the team provided a planned engagement strategy, clear expectations, and a timeline to the stakeholders and working group. Valuable input from these groups helped shape the preliminary concept vision in addition to assisting with outreach materials, ensuring effectiveness and accessibility for all.

Survey responses were gathered through digital means and in-person interactions during the open house pop-up event at Portage Place on Tuesday, May 30, 2023. The online survey, launched on May 22, 2023, received a substantial response rate. Posters, in both physical and digital formats, were widely distributed, containing accessible information about the concept vision, engagement timelines, the open house pop-up event, and easy-to-access links to the public survey.

The in-person open house event held in Edmonton Court of Portage Place Mall received enthusiastic feedback from the community, leading to a significant number of survey responses. During the pop-up event, Persons Community Solution (PCS) hosts played a crucial role in enhancing communication, engagement friendliness, and outreach. The visual survey posters utilized at the pop-up event featured graphics and accessible language, ensuring a user-friendly experience for all participants. Breakfast, lunch, dinner, snacks and beverages were provided at this in person open house event.

To gather targeted input, the team reopened the online survey from July 4 to July 21, 2023, actively seeking responses from neighbouring businesses, youth, and equity-serving organizations. The team also held in-person meetings with these specific stakeholder groups throughout Downtown, encouraging direct communication and providing a platform for sharing insights and feedback. Food and beverages were provided during these focus group meetings.

The following analysis encompasses all survey results received between May 30th and July 21st, incorporating the initial online surveys, in-person surveys conducted during the Portage Place pop-up event, and subsequent targeted surveys.



PSC Group providing support for the pop-up event held at Portage Place



YMCA activity during the Pop-Up Engagement

1.2 Participation

STAKEHOLDERS

Up to 60 stakeholders were initially contacted to participate in stakeholder meetings and subsequent working group meetings. However, not all contacted stakeholders chose to participate in these meetings. Additionally, numerous other organizations were engaged during the Phase 1 engagement process. The general stakeholder groups involved in the engagement process encompassed neighbourhood organizations; arts, culture, and program-specific groups; community organizations; education; economic development; and neighbouring businesses. For a comprehensive list of engaged stakeholders and additional contributors, please refer to Appendix H.

In addition, True North Real Estate Development is directly engaging with Health and Wrap Around Services to provide direction on the proposed Health component of the True North Campus. Omitted from the stakeholder outreach were all four levels of government: Federal, Provincial, Civic, and Indigenous governments (including the Southern Chiefs' Organization). True North Real Estate Development is directly engaging with the governments to provide direction on the True North Campus, coordinate services and amenities with Wehwehneh Bahgahkinagohn (HBC) development, and coordinate other impacted public amenities.

POP-UP EVENT

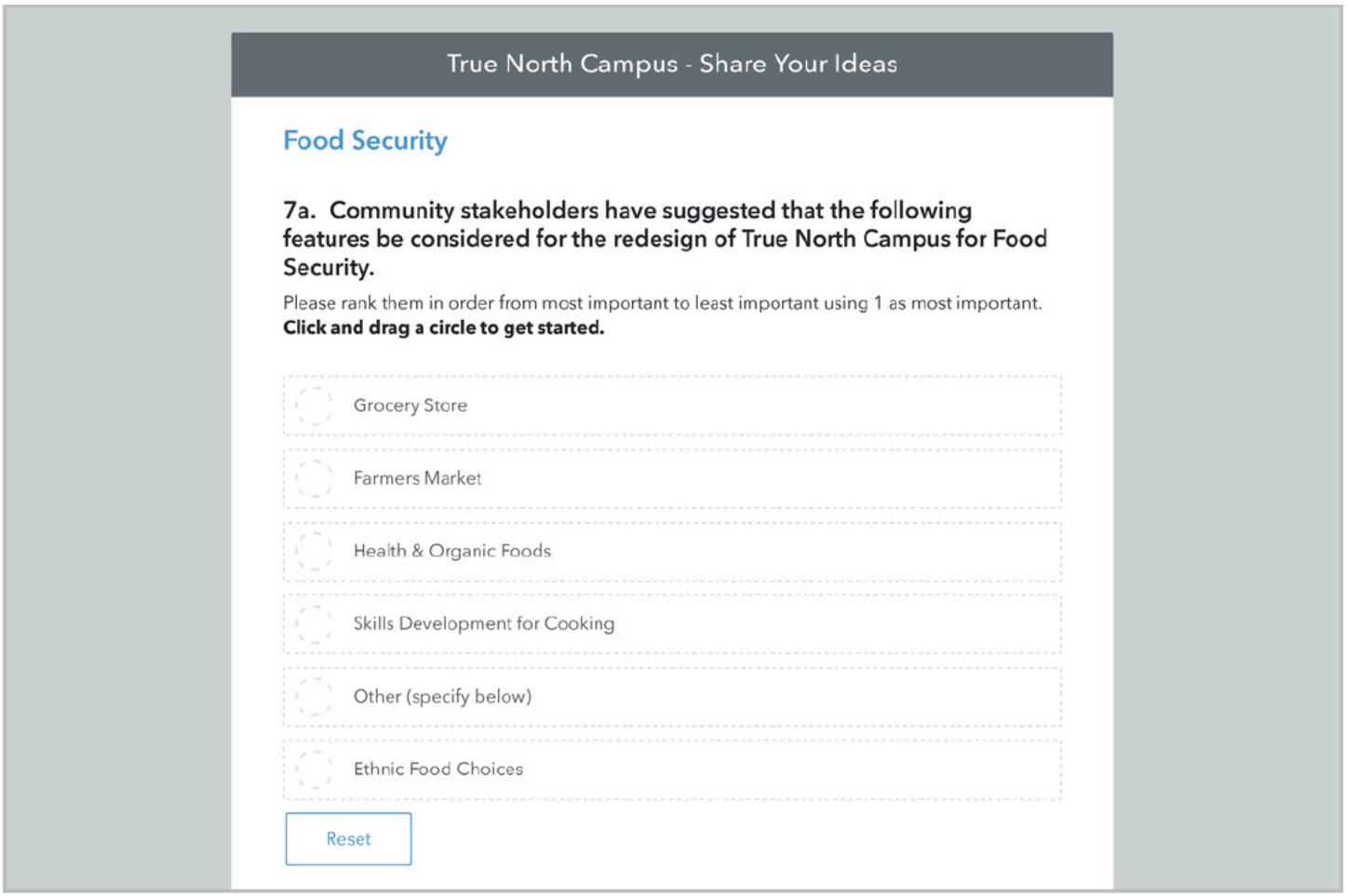
The pop-up event held throughout the day on May 30th saw a substantial turnout, resulting in 264 completed surveys. The event provided an opportunity for extensive conversations with participants, gaining valuable insights into their current space usage and improvement suggestions.

ONLINE SURVEY

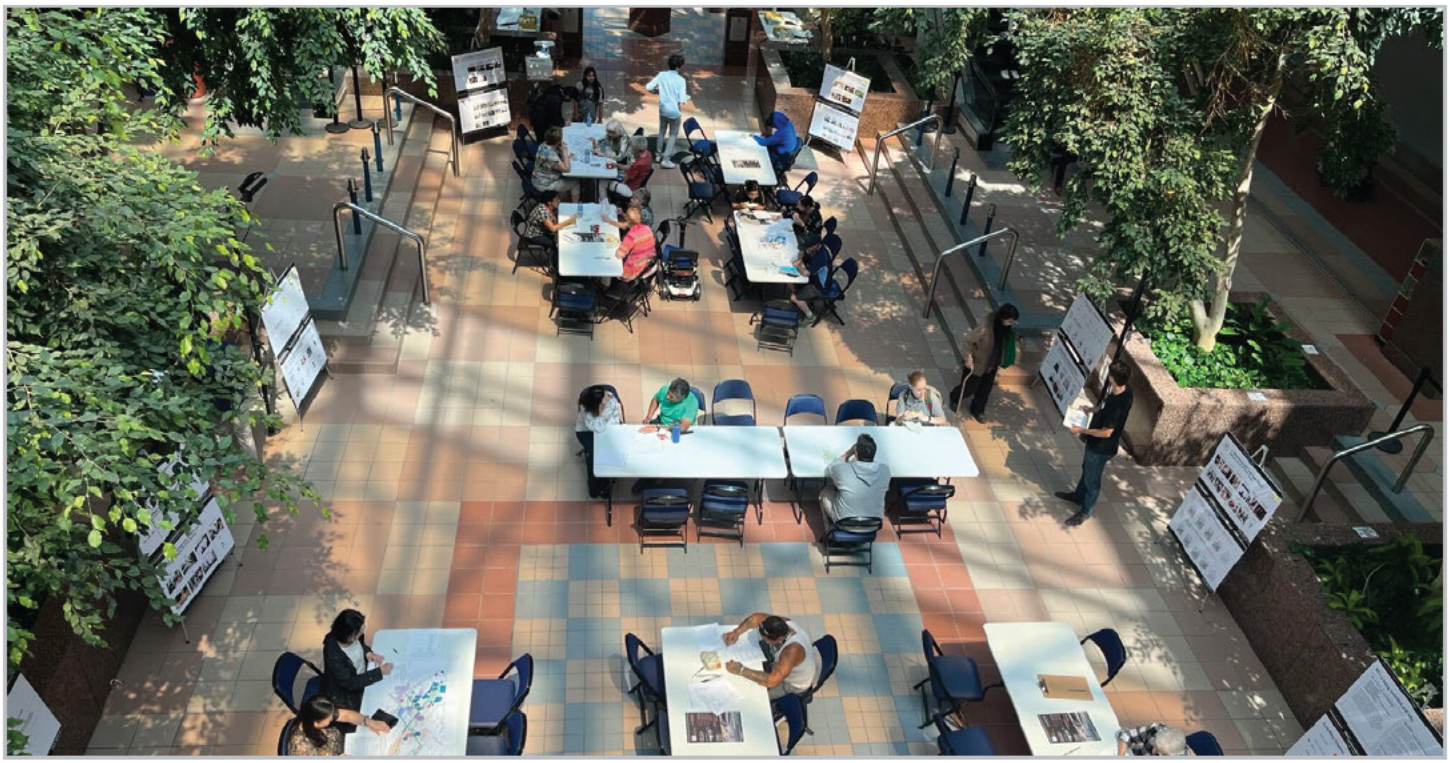
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TOTAL SURVEYS

A total of 702 survey responses were obtained. The following report consolidates all survey results received from May 30th to July 21, encompassing online surveys from May 30th to June 9th, in-person surveys conducted during the Portage Place pop-up event, and subsequent surveys completed between July 4 and July 21, 2023.



Online survey hosted on Survey123.ArcGIS



In-person pop-up event at Portage Place on May 30, 2023

2.0 RESULTS - OVERALL

The following section represents the total combined results including in-person surveys, online and follow-up outreach to targeted interest groups over the course of May, June, and July.

A full analysis of the combined results can be found under Appendix C. The summary below is presented by the following themes:

- Demographics
- Visitation Trends
- Housing
- Neighbourhood services
- Arts and Culture
- Greenspaces
- Other Priorities

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2.1 Demographics

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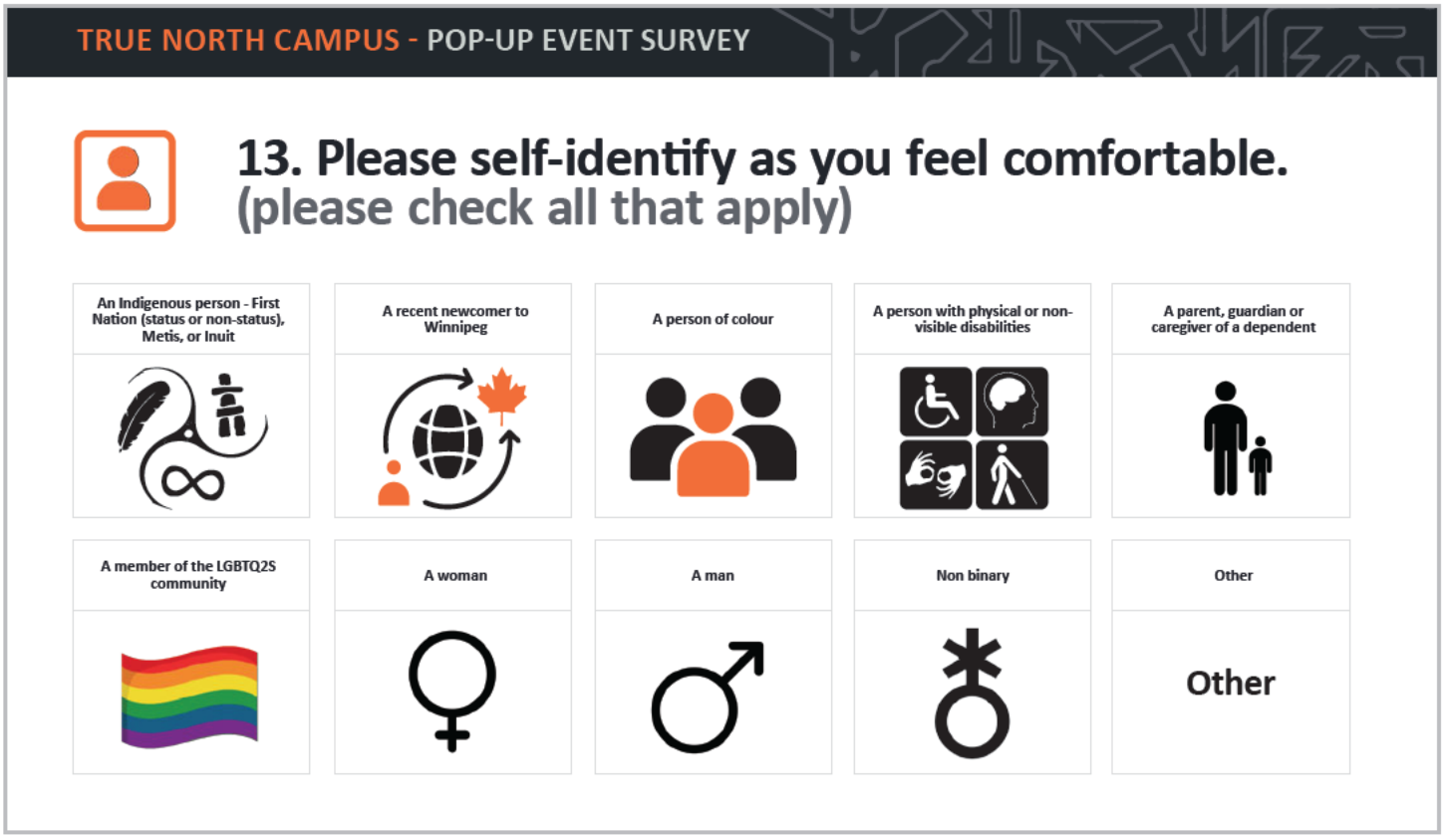
One-third of respondents identified as mid-age adults (age 40-59; 32%), followed by older adults (60-79; 26%), and young adults (age 25-39; 25%). Following targeted outreach to youth organizations, there were a total of 61 individuals or 9% of respondents that identified as youth (24 years of age or under).

SELF-IDENTIFICATION

Out of the total 702 survey responses, 358 respondents identified themselves as female, accounting for approximately 51% of the total responses. In terms of representation among vulnerable communities, 20% of responses were from indigenous individuals, 10% from people of colour, 10% from LGBTQ2S community members, and approximately 13% from individuals with disabilities.

HOUSEHOLD INCOME

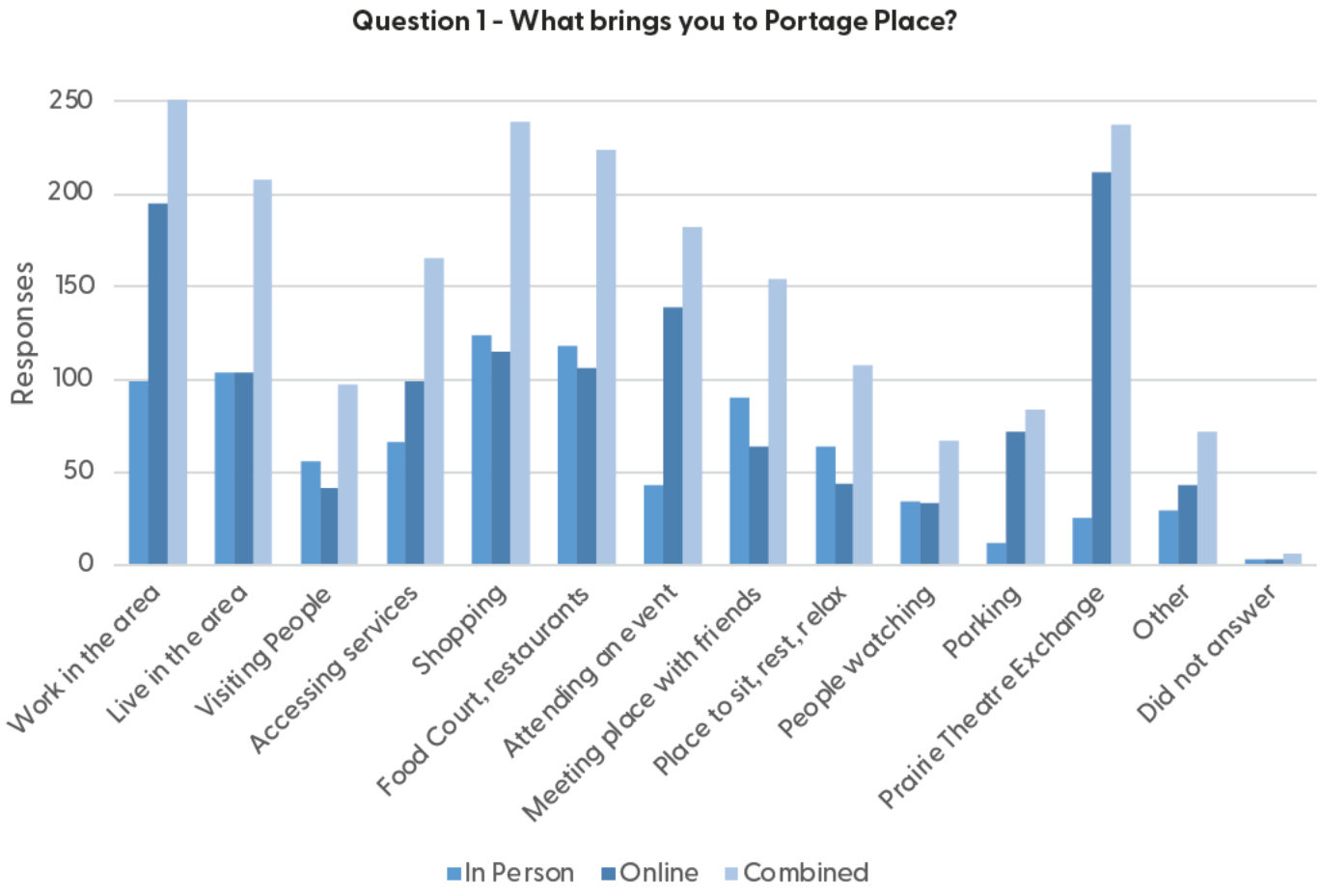
In-person responses saw a higher rate of lower-income households ($0 - $15,000; 25% and $15,001 - $32,500; 19%). In contrast, online responses saw a higher rate of households earning $100k or more ($100,000 +; 32%). One in ten people did not disclose their household income.



One of the visual posters designed to provide guidance to survey participants with limited literacy skills or non-English language proficiency

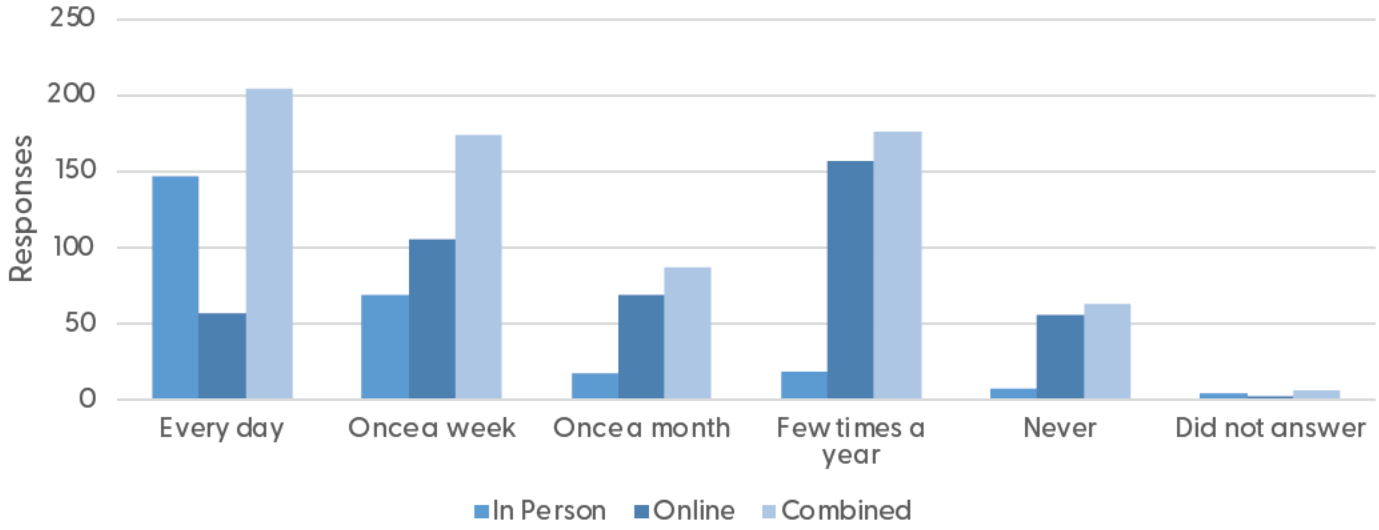
2.2 Visitation Trends

When asked about what brings you to Portage Place and Downtown, common themes that emerged were work in the area, entertainment such as the Prairie Theatre Exchange, and accessing services such as dining and shopping.



Not surprisingly, most of the in-person responses indicated that they visit Portage Place either daily or once a week. On the other hand, for the online results, people tend to visit Portage Place a few times a year if at all. The most popular time of day to visit Portage Place seems to be around lunch and in the afternoon for about 1-2 hours.

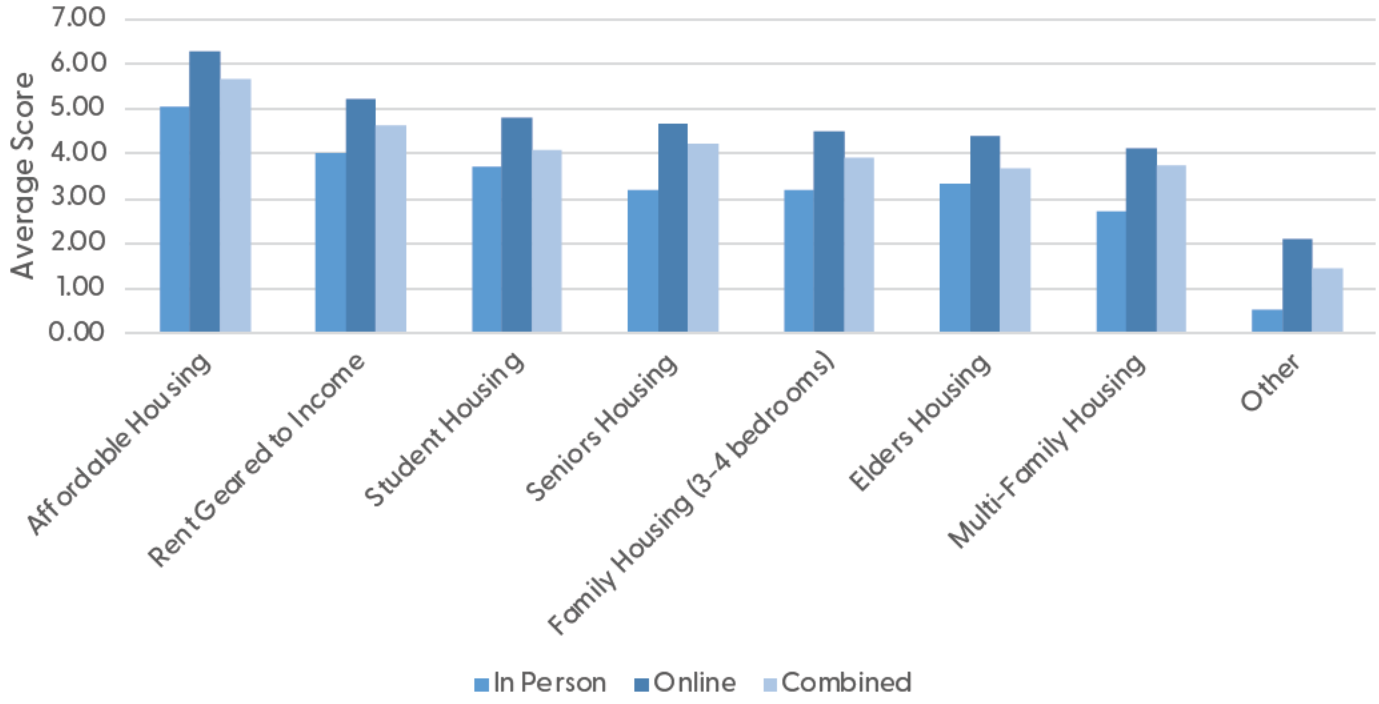
Question 2 - How often do you come to Portage Place in warm weather seasons?



2.3 Housing

Consistent across all results, affordable housing was the clear number one housing priority followed by rent geared to income, and seniors housing. Student and elder housing were both significantly higher in priority for people who attended the open house and completed the survey in person.

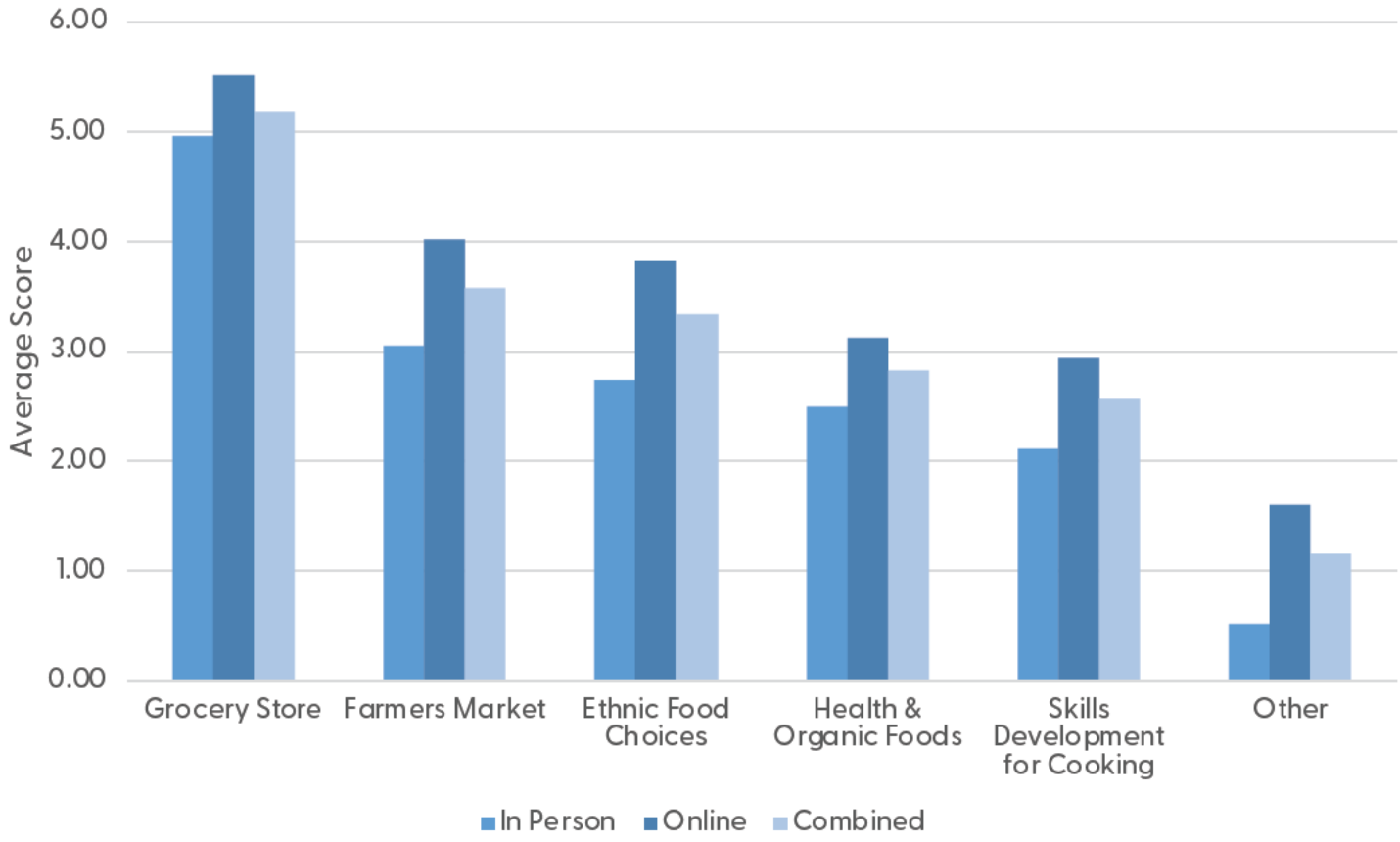
Question 6 - Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for Housing.



2.4 Food Security

There is strong community consensus around the need for a grocery store. Ranked number one for both in-person and online responses, grocery store received a lot of attention in the additional comment section as well. Further emphasis was placed on affordable or chain grocery as opposed to upscale food products. It was noted by our Working Group that there is a downtown grocer at Donald and Broadway but our respondents did not feel this was in the neighbourhood and affordable.

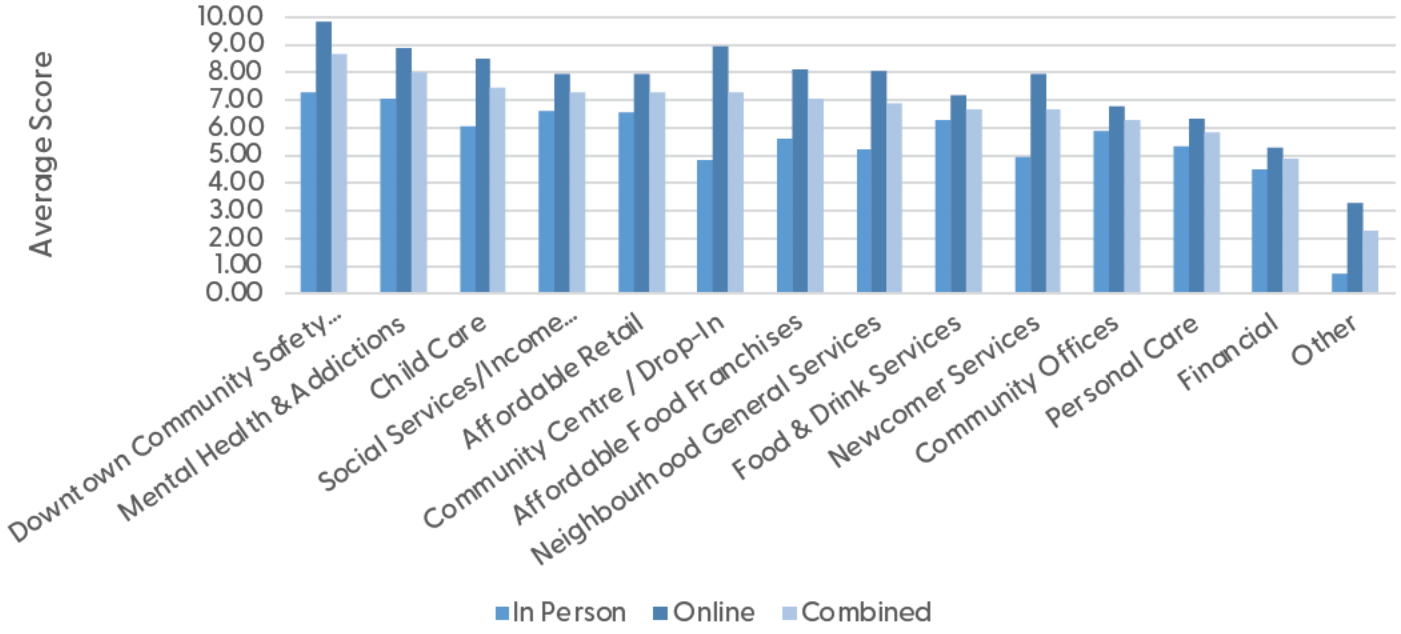
Question 7 - Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for Food Security.



2.5 Neighbourhood Services

Overall, scores assigned for neighbourhood services were balanced with Downtown Community Safety, Mental Health and Addictions, and Child Care consistently ranking near the top. The largest difference in responses between in-person and online results came on the idea of including a Community Centre with Drop-in space available. This item ranked high on the list when engaging youth and equity serving organizations.

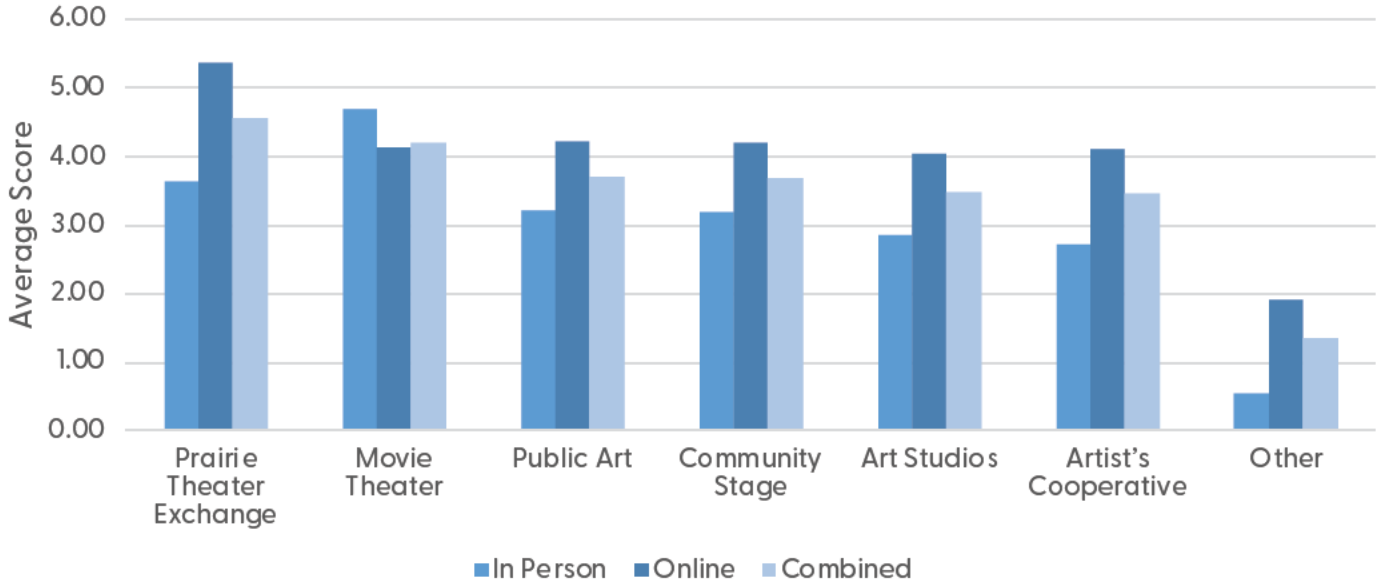
Question 8 - Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of the True North Campus for Neighbourhood Services.



2.6 Arts and Culture

Performing arts and entertainment was a consistent theme across results. The Prairie Theatre Exchange, Movie Theatre, and community stage ranked high on the list for Arts and Culture amenities to be included. Other common ideas include dance studio and drop-in art programming. Artist's studio and Artist cooperative ranked high for youth organizations.

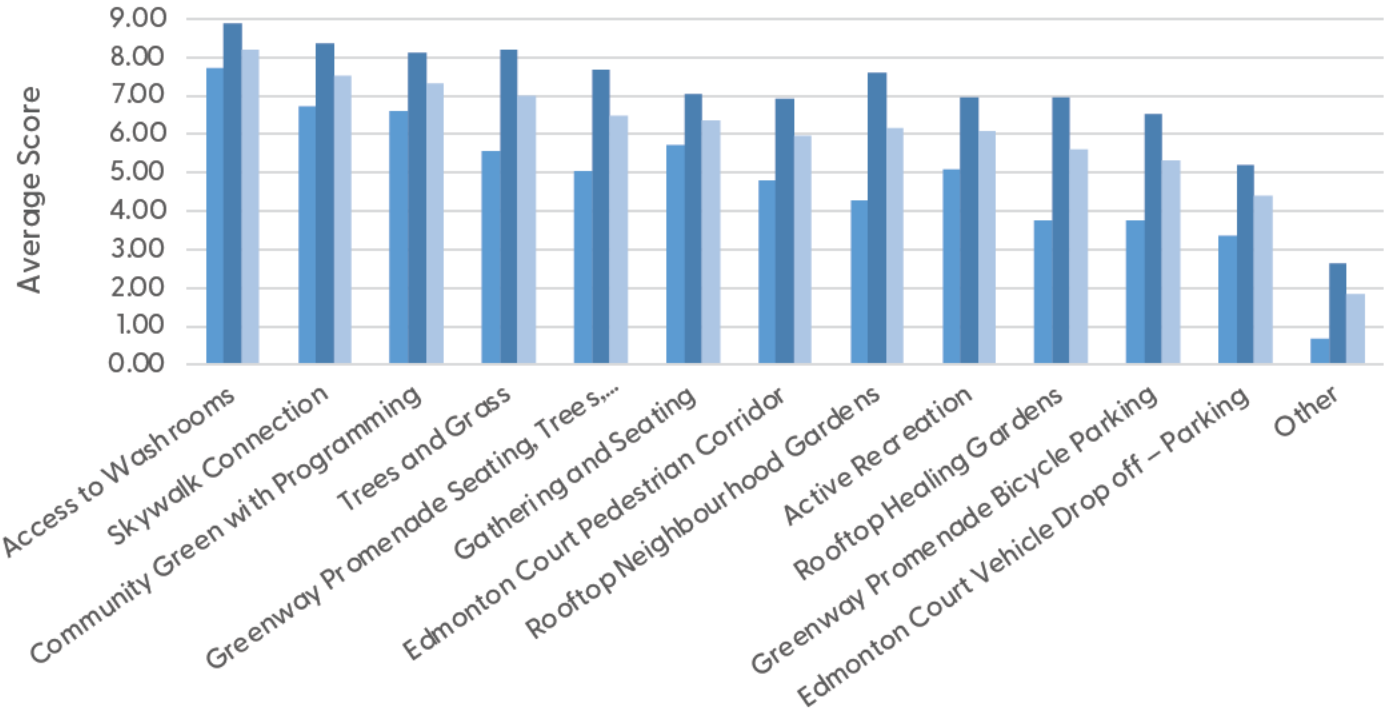
Question 9 - Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for Culture and Arts.



2.7 Public Spaces and Greenways

Consistent across results were priorities related to public washrooms, skywalk connections and community greenspace with programming. It is worth noting that 'trees and grass' and 'active recreation' were also a top priority among those that completed the survey in-person.

Question 10 - Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for Neighbourhood Spaces and public greenways.



2.8 Other Priorities

Additional priorities surfaced within the general comments, highlighting the need for a True North Campus that offers a welcoming atmosphere, proudly open and inviting to every member of the Winnipeg community, catering to all demographic needs. Other important aspects involve enhancing community infrastructure, ensuring safety and security, collaborating with Indigenous leaders on co-designing efforts, and maintaining an enjoyable shopping and dining experience. For more insights into these priorities please consult Appendix G: General Comments.

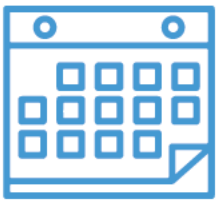
3.0 RESULTS – LIVE IN THE AREA

Of the 702 total surveys, 212 respondents identified themselves as living in the area. For the full results and graphs please consult Appendix E: Live in the Area.



3.1 Demographics

A third of the respondents were 60-79 years old, another third were 40-59 years old, and then the remaining third were the remaining age brackets. A quarter of respondents identified self as Indigenous, and over half of the surveys were filled out by a woman. The income levels varied to show a cross between the income brackets.



3.2 Visitation Trends

The primary motivations for their visits to Portage Place Mall are the following:

1. Shopping
2. The food court
3. Accessing services

The frequency of visits is notable, with a the majority visiting every day (96) or at a minimum of once a week (64). It's worth noting that even during colder weather conditions, a substantial number of individuals continue with their regular visits, with 95 maintaining daily routines and 67 visiting weekly.

The most popular time to visit the Mall is the afternoon (155) but about half of respondents visit in the morning (109) and lunchtime (103). In terms of duration, the majority of respondents spend under an hour (97) or between 1 to 2 hours (76) during their visits to the Mall.



3.3 Housing

In a redesign of the Campus, the top three housing types recommended by those living in the area include:

1. Affordable housing
2. Rent geared to income
3. Seniors housing

This assessment was conducted utilizing an average scoring system. In the context of housing, the respondents identified that it was important to consider different accessibility needs for individuals with disabilities, diverse demographic groups, and newcomers. Moreover, we should also factor in the various ownership and tenancy choices available, including renting, condominiums, and hotels.

3.4 Food Security

When addressing the matter of food security, the following top three options were recommended:

1. Grocery store
2. Farmers market
3. Health and organic foods

The affordability of food remains as a primary focus. It was recommended to establish either a designated food bank pick-up location or facilitate the development of a full-service grocery store for the entire community. Both options aim to alleviate the challenges associated with food accessibility and affordability.

3.5 Neighbourhood Services

In the context of neighborhood services, the three most prominent responses were:

1. Downtown Community Safety Program
2. Mental health and addiction services
3. Social services/Income Assistance

The written comments also brought attention to an area featuring amenities such as a piano, hairdressing services, and a movie theatre. Additionally, there was an identification of the absence of community foot patrols in the area.

3.6 Culture and Arts

Regarding Culture and Arts, the three most prominent responses were:

1. Movie theatre
2. Prairie Theatre Exchange
3. Public Art

The responses indicate a desire for accessible entertainment options. Moreover, the recognition of the existing creative and cultural amenities reflects a genuine appreciation for the artistic offerings already in place. Moreover, an appreciation for the existing creative and cultural amenities. Beyond this, the responses underscore the significance of aesthetics and creative expression as an important component.



3.7 Public Spaces and Greenways

A key element for Public Spaces and Greenways is the programming and management of the areas to guarantee their safety and optimal utilization. The top three responses for this category were:

1. Access to washrooms
2. Skywalk connection
3. Community green with programming

It should be noted that greenery, gathering spaces and seating, the Edmonton Pedestrian Corridor, and rooftop neighbourhood gardens all had significantly high average scores.

3.8 Survey Comments

The reoccurring themes are affordability, a place for all, safety, accessibility, and placemaking to gather and shop. In the comments section, there was multiple mentions of Indigenous security personnel, as well as traditional teachings and gatherings. There were also compliments of the True North Campus proposal, saying this is needed and time is of essence. Consistent mentions in the comments emphasize the demand for round-the-clock access to services such as the YMCA and well-lit walkways. One resident summarized the survey responses quite succinctly:

> "It needs to be a community hub for the people who live downtown who are mainly seniors, university students, immigrants, indigenous people, homeless people and those suffering from mental issues. It needs to be a place that offers the supports and amenities that this population needs. It needs to have lots of green spaces and recreation areas where people of these diverse cultures can meet and get to know each other. If it has this neighbourhood environment people from the suburbs will have far less apprehensions and feel safer about visiting our neighbourhood"



The designated venue for the Focus Group Meetings at the Social Planning Council offices

4.0 RESULTS – TARGETED INTEREST GROUPS

The following summarizes the responses from the 228 targeted stakeholders, being neighbouring businesses, youth, and equity-serving organizations. For the full results and graphs please consult Appendix F: Targeted Interest Groups.

Of these stakeholders, the majority were women, followed by individuals identifying as members of the LGBTQ2S community and men.

4.1 Visitation Trends

The primary motivations for their visits to Portage Place Mall are the following:

1. Entertainment (77),
2. Meeting friends (77)
3. Work (61)

The targeted interest groups typically visit the area either on a weekly basis or a few times annually, primarily for shopping, accessing services, and attending the Prairie Theatre Exchange. Their visits predominantly occur during the afternoon (78), evening (72), and lunchtime (42) hours. On average, their stays last for 1-2 hours (50), with a notable proportion spending just under an hour (37) or 2-3 hours (36).

4.2 Housing

The top two housing types recommended by the respondents include:

1. Affordable housing is number one
2. Rent geared to income
3. Family housing

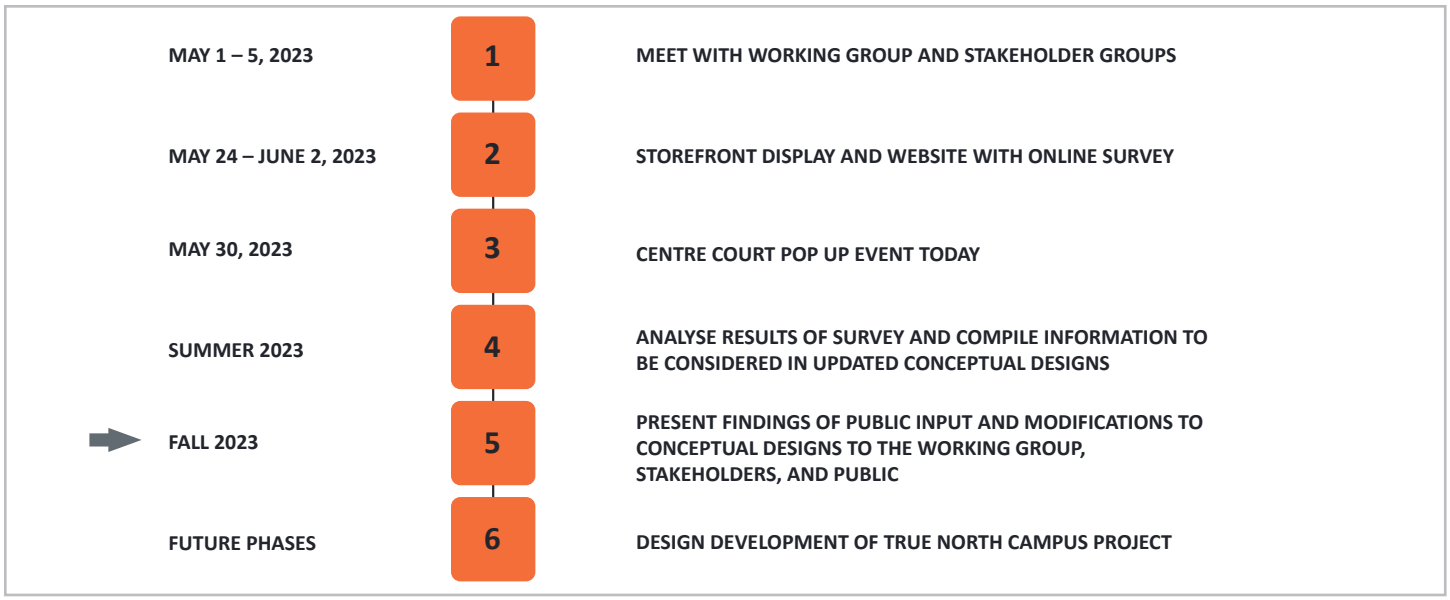
It's important to highlight that the respondents recognized a necessity for all types of housing.

4.3 Food Security

Within the context of food security, the most prominent responses center around the importance of having:

1. Grocery store
2. Farmers market
3. Ethnic food choices

It's noteworthy that comments from respondents consistently underscore a notable focus on the dual aspects of affordability and access to healthy food options as key priorities within the domain of food security.



Timeline presented during the public engagement sessions, marking the current step in the process.

4.4 Community Services

Concerning community services, the predominant preferences are as follows:

1. Community centre/drop-in
2. Mental health & addictions
3. Downtown community safety program

Again, most service options garnered relatively high rankings across the board, with the exception of financial services. Noteworthy recurring themes, particularly emphasized by youth and equity-focused responses, involve Studio 393 and the significance of a skate park.

4.5 Culture and Arts

Regarding Culture and Arts, the three most prominent responses were:

1. Prairie Theatre Exchange
2. Art studios
3. Artist's cooperative

The respondents' feedback underscores an appreciation for the current creative offerings, a recognition of the value of creative spaces, and a prevalent inclination within the community toward collaborative artistic efforts.

4.6 Public Spaces and Greenways

In the realm of public spaces and greenways, the three most significant responses are:

4. Washroom access
5. Community greenspaces with programming
6. Rooftop neighbourhood gardens

The remaining choices all ranked higher than 5 except Edmonton Court pedestrian drop off. In the comments a bike valet, and a place people can walk and enjoy nature, an escape from the urban environment. Additionally, the comments emphasize the significance of creating a safe, inclusive, and collaborative space that connects with existing downtown organizations like Studio 393, Genesis Arts Community, and Graffiti Arts Programming.

5.0 ENGAGEMENT INSIGHTS

This report marks the completion of Phase 1 in the planning process, signifying an important step forward. Sharing insights into what comes next will be crucial, the information gathered within this report is intended to be reviewed by stakeholders and will be made public in Phase 2. As the process moves ahead, the project team will use this feedback to help shape the design of the proposed True North Campus, and our team plans to continue our discussions with the different community groups and members. Hearing from the community will remain vital to making this project successful.

The methods used in Phase 1 of the engagement process ensured a comprehensive range of perspectives. The working group emerged as an invaluable communication channel, generating constructive dialogues and providing input on draft materials and conceptual ideas. Their guidance helped direct the public engagement process, also highlighting the importance of inclusivity, a desire for a thriving and accessible downtown, vital amenities, safety, well-being, and sustainable growth.

Survey data collected from the online submissions, the in-person pop-up event, and targeted interest group engagement provided crucial insights into demographics, visitation patterns, and community priorities spanning housing, neighbourhood services, arts and culture, green spaces, and more.

This report consolidates survey results, offering a snapshot of the community's collective sentiment.

Information obtained from the surveys reflects the desire of the community to have the development be responsive to the needs of the neighbourhood for affordable living that is safe and accessible. The surveys, coupled with the discussions during in-person engagements and meetings, also highlight the community's inclination for a development that embraces an open and inviting atmosphere, catering to the needs of all members of the Winnipeg community, regardless of demographic background.

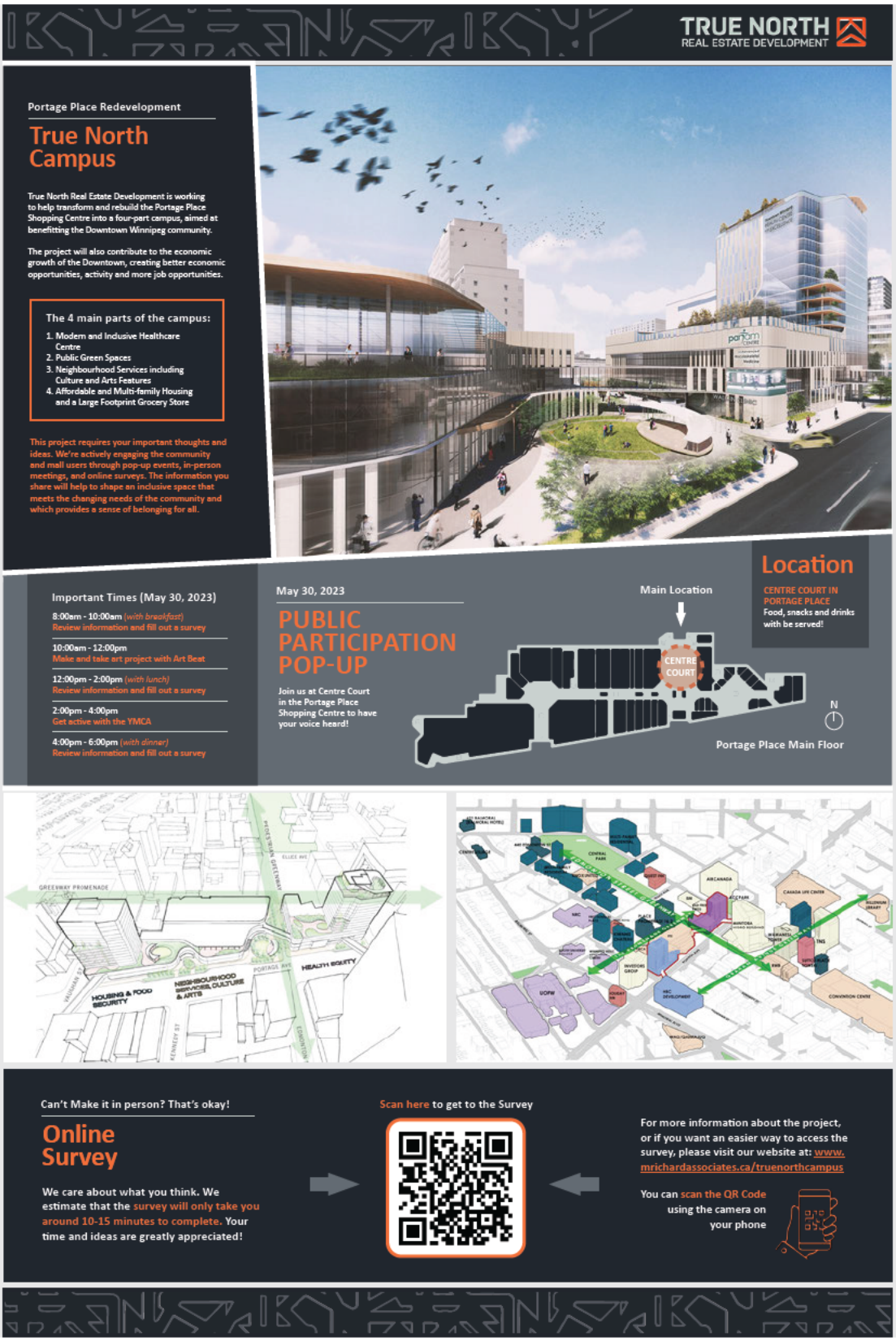
ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS FROM THE COMMUNITY INCLUDE:

- Making the design for the neighbourhood, inclusive and affordable, so that those who use the space now are not forced out.
- Forge partnerships with other health agencies in the area to avoid duplication of services and to gain advice on opportunities and issues in the neighbourhood.
- Establish a community advisory group, akin to the working group, for community area planning and programming, ensuring local success.
- Collaborate with housing organizations to inform affordable housing strategies, to gain insight into the issues and needs of the community.
- Integrate an Indigenous member within the design team.
- Opt for community-based safety measures over security personnel.
- Community affordability is of utmost importance in areas such as housing, retail, food, and services. This ensures an approach that includes people from all demographics and prevents the development from becoming exclusive and limited to a certain group.

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APPENDIX A - ENGAGEMENT POSTERS



Large Storefront Poster - Pop-Up Event

TRUE NORTH
REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT

Portage Place Redevelopment

True North Campus



Location

Centre Court in Portage Place (Main Floor)
Food, snacks and drinks with be served!

Public Participation

POP-UP EVENT

Visit us May 30, 2023

8:00am - 10:00am *(with breakfast)*
Review information and fill out a survey

10:00am - 12:00pm
Make and take art project with Art Beat

12:00pm - 2:00pm *(with lunch)*
Review information and fill out a survey

2:00pm - 4:00pm
Get active with the YMCA

4:00pm - 6:00pm *(with dinner)*
Review information and fill out a survey



Portage Place Main Floor

Please note that the survey and the information during the event will be available online. Information boards will also be displayed in a storefront in Portage Place - 2nd floor across from Art Beat Studio.

Online Survey

For more information about the project or if you want to access the survey, please scan the QR Code or visit our website at:
www.mrichardassociates.ca/truenorthcampus

You can scan the QR Code using the camera on your phone

Tabloid Poster - Pop-Up Event

APPENDIX B - SURVEY COPY

True North Campus Public Survey

True North Campus is envisioned to include a Healthcare centre, a mixture of affordable and family housing, anchored by Neighbourhood Services and Public Green Spaces with a mandate to serve and connect the downtown communities.

This survey is intended to gather information from Portage Place users about their ideas and vision for Housing, Food, Neighbourhood Services, Culture and Arts, Neighborhood Spaces, and Public Greenways. This input will be considered in the development of amenities and uses included in True North Campus.

1. What brings you to Portage Place? (please check all that apply)

- ☐ Work in the area
- ☐ Live in the area
- ☐ Visiting People
- ☐ Accessing services
- ☐ Shopping
- ☐ Food Court, restaurants
- ☐ Attending an event
- ☐ Meeting place with friends
- ☐ Place to sit, rest, relax
- ☐ People watching
- ☐ Parking
- ☐ Prairie Theater Exchange
- ☐ Other _____

2. How often do you come to Portage Place during the warm weather seasons? (summer, spring, fall)

- ☐ Every day
- ☐ Once a week
- ☐ Once a month
- ☐ Few times a year
- ☐ Never

3. How often do you come to Portage Place during the cold weather seasons? (winter)

- ☐ Every day
- ☐ Once a week
- ☐ Once a month
- ☐ Few times a year
- ☐ Never

4. What time of day do you usually come to Portage Place? (please check all that apply)

- ☐ Morning
- ☐ Lunchtime
- ☐ Afternoon
- ☐ Evening
- ☐ Night

5. How long do you stay?

- ☐ 1 hour or less
- ☐ 1-2 hours
- ☐ 2-3 hours
- ☐ 3-4 hours
- ☐ More than 4 hours

6. Commun ty stakeho ders have suggested that the fo ow ng features be cons dered for the redes gn of True North Campus for Hous ng. P ease rank them n order from most mportant to east mportant us ng 1 as most mportant.

___ Mu t -fam y Hous ng
___ Affordab e Hous ng
___ Low Barr er Hous ng
___ Rent Geared to Income
___ Student Hous ng
___ Fam y Hous ng (3-4 bedrooms)
___ Sen ors Hous ng
___ E ders Hous ng
___ Other _____

7. Commun ty stakeho ders have suggested that the fo ow ng features be cons dered for the redes gn of True North Campus for Food Secur ty. P ease rank them n order from most mportant to east mportant us ng 1 as most mportant.

___ Grocery Store
___ Farmers Market
___ Sk s Deve opment for Cook ng
___ Ethn c Food Cho ces
___ Hea th & Organ c Foods
___ Other _____

8. Commun ty stakeho ders have suggested that the fo ow ng features be cons dered for the redes gn of True North Campus for Ne ghbourhood Serv ces. P ease rank them n order from most mportant to east mportant us ng 1 as most mportant.

___ Commun ty off ces
___ Newcomer Serv ces
___ Ch d Care
___ F nanc a
___ Persona Care
___ Soc a Serv ces/Income Ass stance
___ Downtown Commun ty Safety Program
___ Menta Hea th & Add ct ons
___ Affordab e Reta
___ Ne ghbourhood genera serv ces
___ Commun ty Centre / Drop-In
___ Food & Dr nk Serv ces
___ Affordab e Food Franch ses
___ Other _____

9. Commun ty stakeho ders have suggested that the fo ow ng features be cons dered for the redes gn of True North Campus for Cu ture and Arts. P ease rank them n order from most mportant to east mportant us ng 1 as most mportant.

___ Pra r e Theater Exchange
___ Art st s Cooperat ve
___ Art Stud os
___ Pub c Art
___ Commun ty Stage
___ Mov e Theater
___ Other _____

10. Commun ty stakeho ders have suggested that the fo ow ng features be cons dered for the redes gn of True North Campus for Ne ghbourhood Spaces and pub c greenways. P ease rank them n order from most mportant to east mportant us ng 1 as most mportant.

___ Commun ty green w th outdoor and ndoor program ng
___ Access to washrooms
___ Gather ng and seat ng
___ Act ve Recreat on
___ Trees and grass
___ Edmonton Court veh c e drop off – short term park ng (new on P an)
___ Edmonton court pedestr an corr dor (new on P an)
___ Greenway Promenade seat ng, trees, ght ng
___ Greenway Promenade b cyc e park ng
___ Rooftop Ne ghbourhood Gardens
___ Rooftop Hea ng Gardens
___ Skywa k Connect on
___ Other _____

11. What e se wou d you ke us to know about Portage P ace and/or your thoughts and v s on for ts future redeve opment?

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The following questions are being asked to understand who is responding to the survey and are optional. All personal information provided is anonymous to be used for statistical analysis and will not be available to anyone outside of the project team.

12. How old are you?

- ☐ 0-14
- ☐ 15-24
- ☐ 25-39
- ☐ 40-59
- ☐ 60-79
- ☐ 80+

13. Please self-identify as you feel comfortable. (check all that apply)

- ☐ An Indigenous person - First Nation (status or non-status), Métis, or Inuit
- ☐ A recent newcomer to Winnipeg
- ☐ A person of colour
- ☐ A person with physical or non-visible disabilities
- ☐ A parent, guardian or caregiver of a dependent
- ☐ A member of the LGBTQ2S community
- ☐ A woman
- ☐ A man
- ☐ Non binary
- ☐ Other _____

14. What is your household income?

- ☐ $0 - $15,000
- ☐ $15,001 - $32,500
- ☐ $32,501 - $50,000
- ☐ $50,001 - $75,000
- ☐ $75,001 - $100,000
- ☐ $100,000 +

15. What brings you Downtown? (check all that apply)

- ☐ Live
- ☐ Work
- ☐ Go to shows or games
- ☐ Meet with friends
- ☐ Dine out
- ☐ Shop
- ☐ Visitor to Winnipeg
- ☐ Other _____

16. What is your postal code?

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APPENDIX C – COMBINED RESULTS (MAY 22 – JULY 21)

TRUE NORTH CAMPUS SURVEY RESULTS

The following is a summary of responses collected via survey for the True North Campus project. The survey was designed to reach Portage Place users in order to compile the following information:

- Purpose of using Portage Place
- Time of year and time of day visitation
- Priorities for housing
- Priorities for food security
- Priorities for neighbourhood services
- Priorities for arts and culture
- Priorities for greenspace
- General comments
- Demographic questions (age, self-identification, household income)
- Purpose of visiting Downtown
- Location of residence (postal code)

Survey responses were collected digitally and in-person at the Open House event at Portage Place on Tuesday May 30, 2023. The online survey launched May 22, 2023 and closed June 9, 2023. The online survey received 210 responses while the in-person open house event generated an additional 264 for a combined total of 474 surveys.

Survey results presented herein use clustered column charts with categories comparing online, hard copy and combined responses.

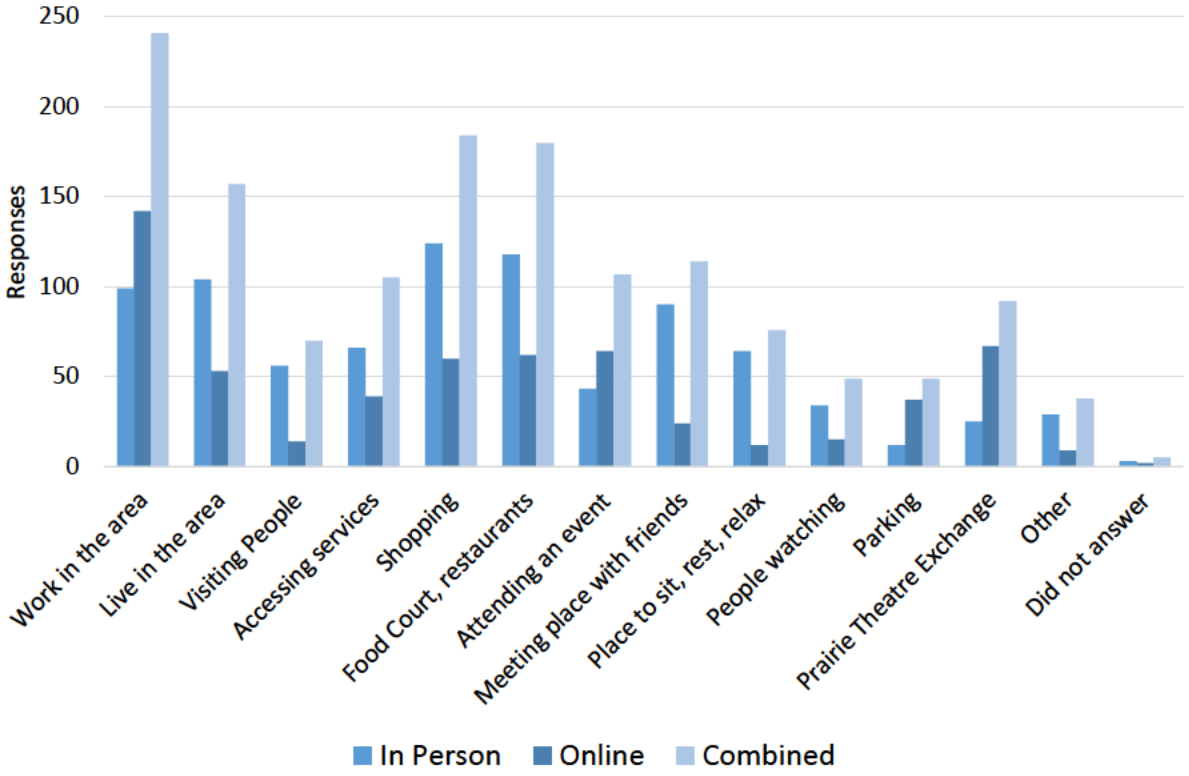
Ranking questions that are intended to measure priorities for housing, food security, neighbourhood services, arts and culture, and greenspace (i.e. questions 6-10) are evaluated based on the average score that was given to each option. Scores are determined based on the number of options provided in the question.

For example, if there are 5 choices in the question, the choice at the top gets a score of 5, the choice after that a 4, etc. If you have a list with 7 choices, the one at the top gets a score of 7, and so forth.

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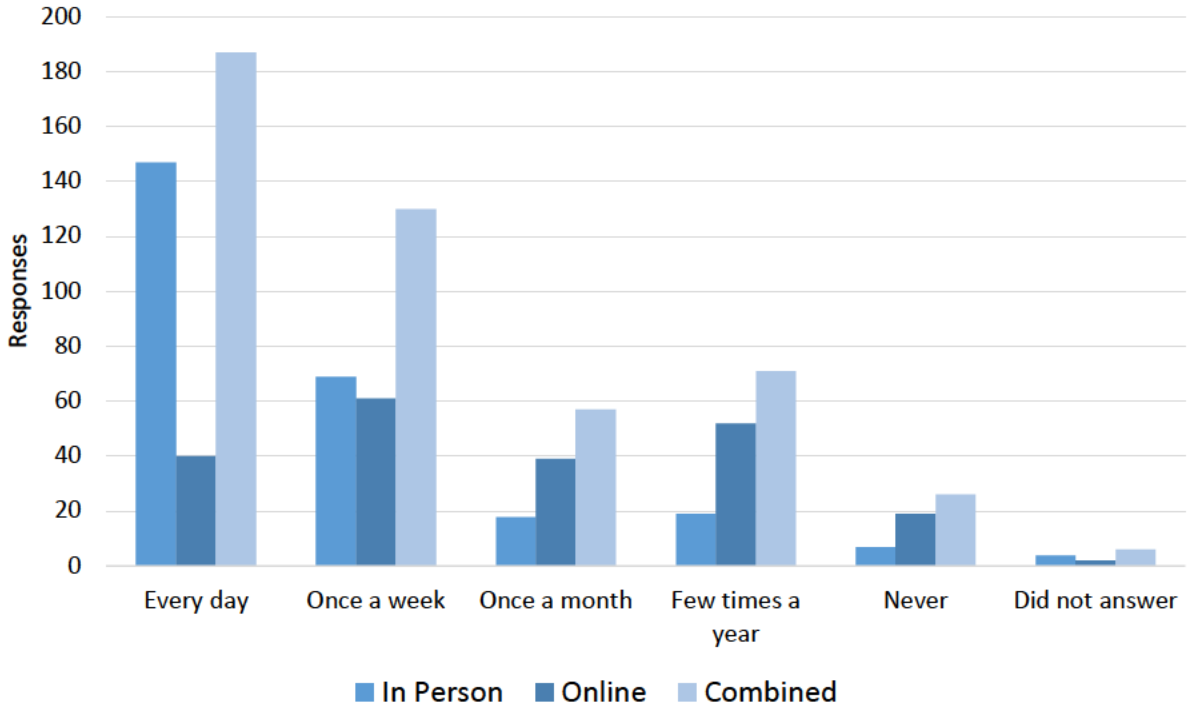
1) Since there were a number of people who skipped the ranking questions for the in person survey, in addition to those who ranked only a few items (as opposed to the online survey that required each choice to be ranked), the average score of the in person survey is significantly lower than the online score due to skipped and incomplete answers are given a default score of 0, therefore lowering the average score.
2) In order to effectively oversee the compilation of comments across the public engagement reports and to ensure their suitable redaction for public dissemination, all comments have been relocated to Appendix G – General Comments.

1. What brings you to Portage Place?



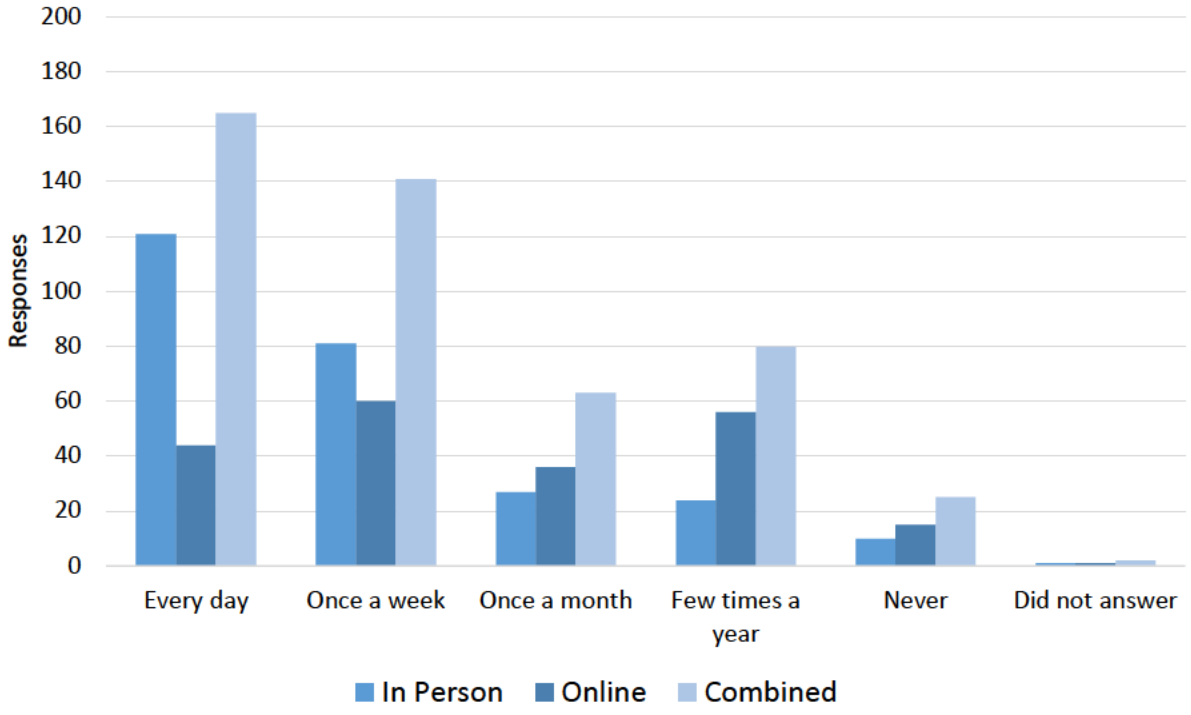
	In Person	Online	Combined
Work in the area	99	142	241
Live in the area	104	53	157
Visiting People	56	14	70
Accessing services	66	39	105
Shopping	124	60	184
Food Court, restaurants	118	62	180
Attending an event	43	64	107
Meeting place with friends	90	24	114
Place to sit, rest, relax	64	12	76
People watching	34	15	49
Parking	12	37	49
Prairie Theatre Exchange	25	67	92
Other	29	9	38
Did not answer	3	2	5

2. How often do you come to Portage Place in **warm weather** seasons?



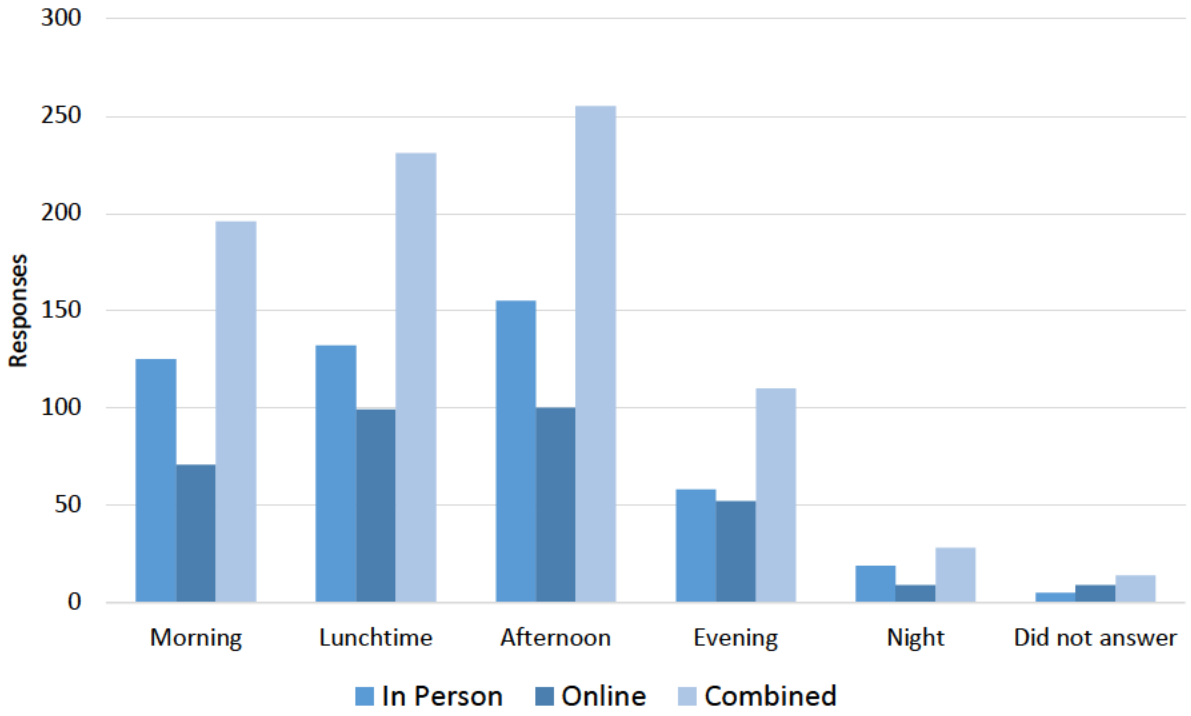
	In Person	Online	Combined
Every day	147	40	187
Once a week	69	61	130
Once a month	18	39	57
Few times a year	19	52	71
Never	7	19	26
Did not answer	4	2	6

3. How often do you come to Portage Place in **cold weather** seasons?



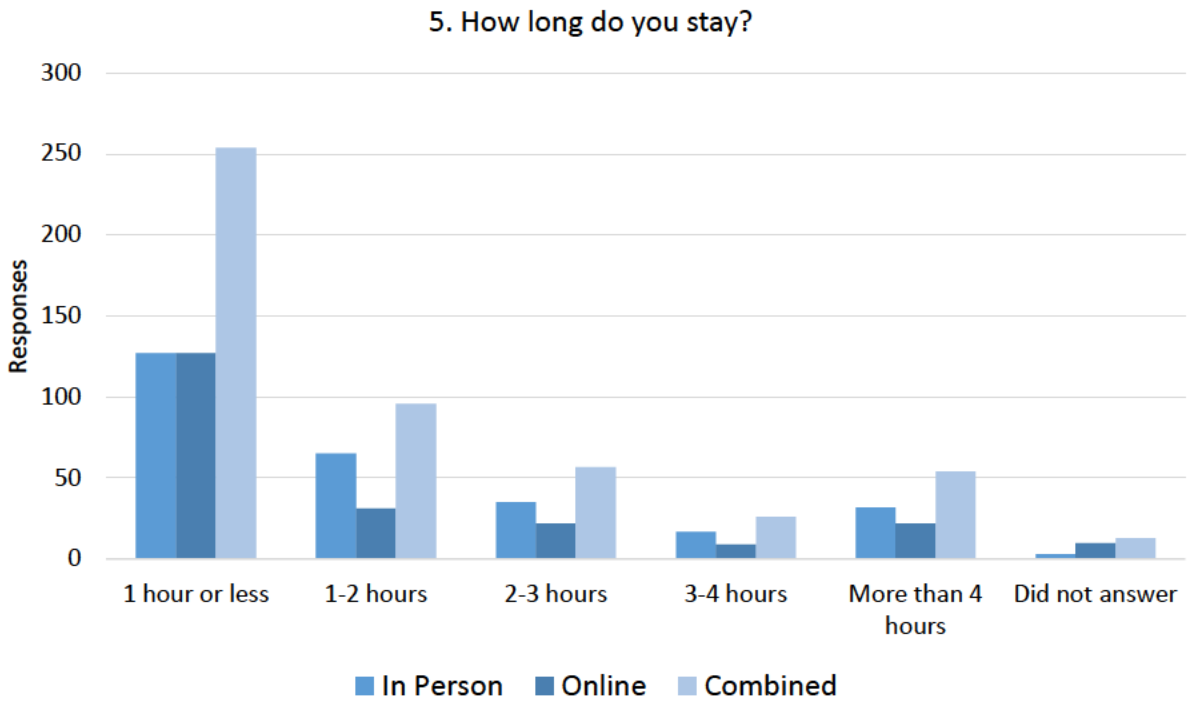
	In Person	Online	Combined
Every day	121	44	165
Once a week	81	60	141
Once a month	27	36	63
Few times a year	24	56	80
Never	10	15	25
Did not answer	1	1	2

4. What time do you usually come to Portage Place?



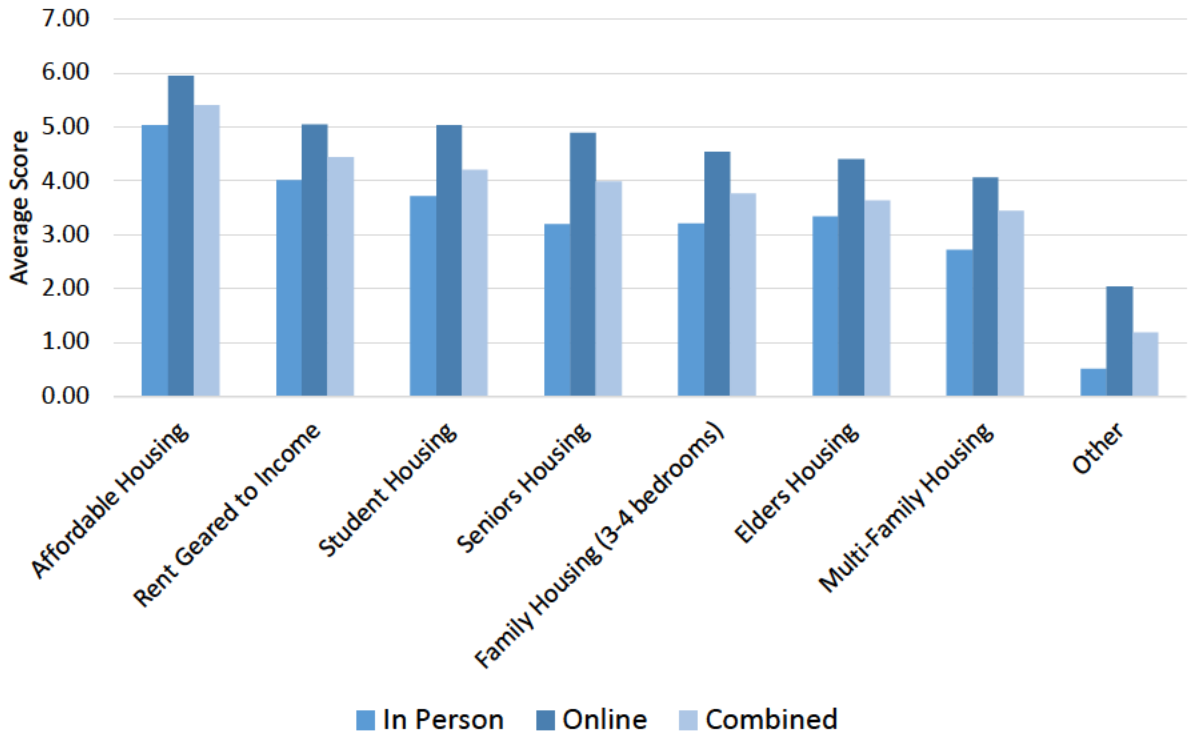
	In Person	Online	Combined
Morning	125	71	196
Lunchtime	132	99	231
Afternoon	155	100	255
Evening	58	52	110
Night	19	9	28
Did not answer	5	9	14

5. How long do you stay?



	In Person	Online	Combined
1 hour or less	127	127	254
1-2 hours	65	31	96
2-3 hours	35	22	57
3-4 hours	17	9	26
More than 4 hours	32	22	54
Did not answer	3	10	13

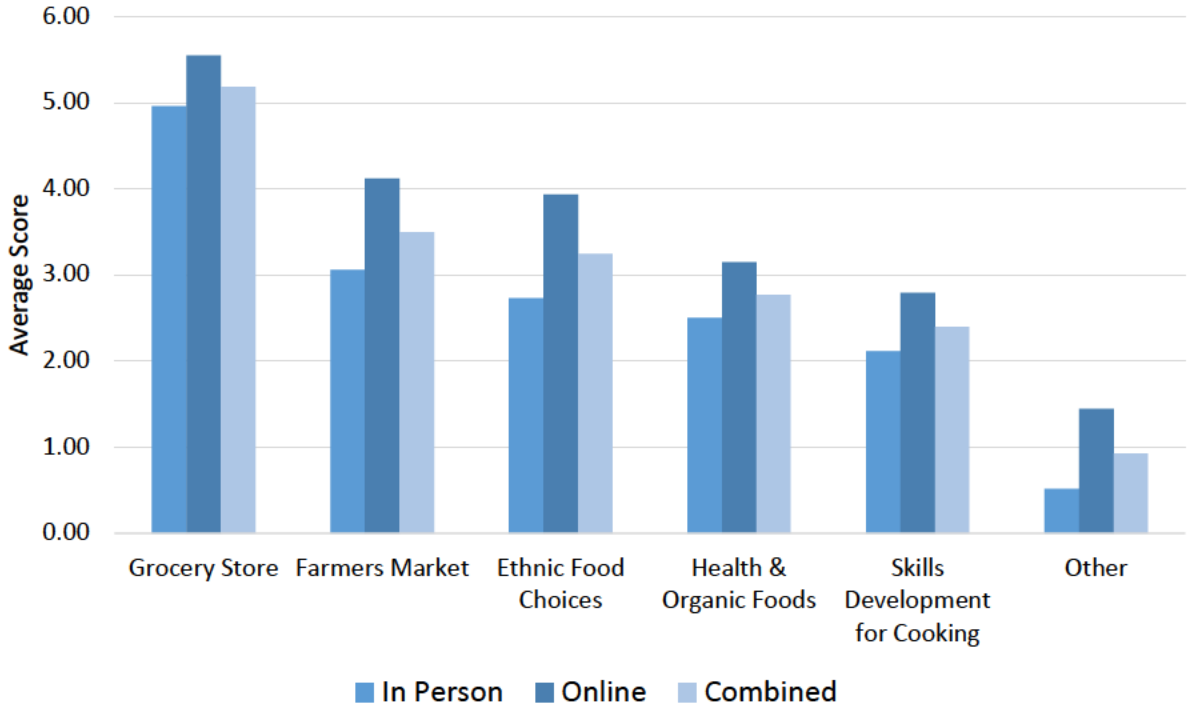
6a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Housing**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	1	1	Affordable Housing	5.04	5.95	5.40
2	2	2	Rent Geared to Income	4.01	5.05	4.44
3	3	3	Student Housing	3.72	5.04	4.21
6	4	4	Seniors Housing	3.19	4.9	3.99
5	5	5	Family Housing (3-4 bedrooms)	3.21	4.54	3.77
4	6	6	Elders Housing	3.34	4.41	3.63
7	7	7	Multi-Family Housing	2.72	4.07	3.45
8	8	8	Other	0.52	2.04	1.19

11 in person surveys had no answer provided

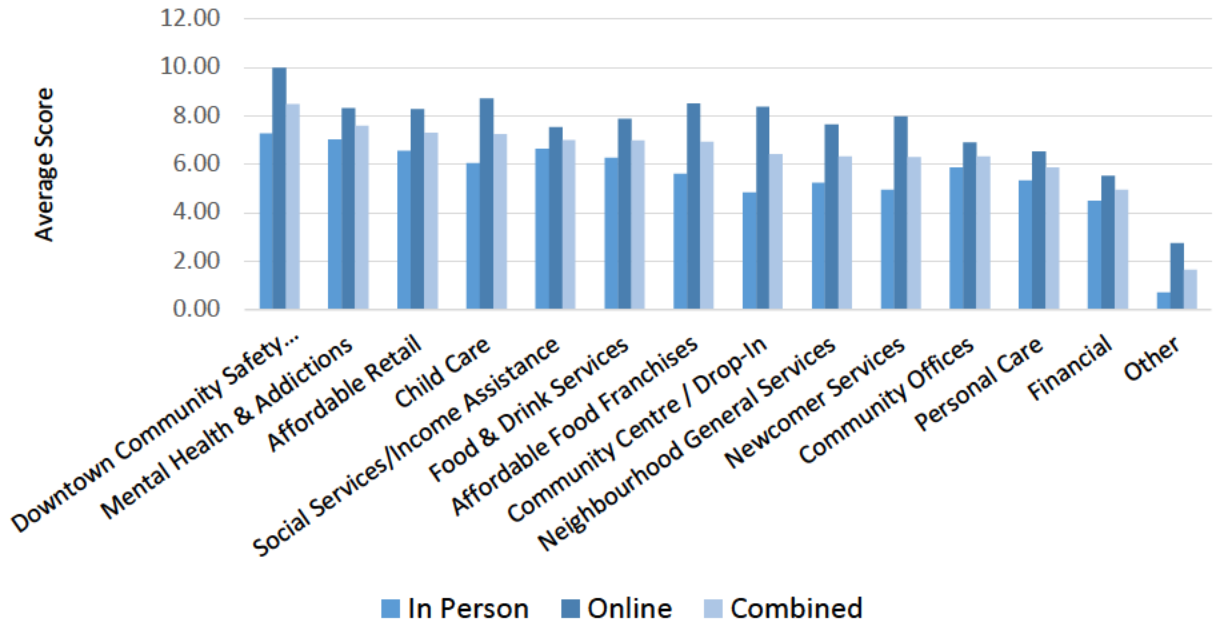
7a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Food Security**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	1	1	Grocery Store	4.96	5.55	5.18
2	2	2	Farmers Market	3.06	4.12	3.50
3	3	3	Ethnic Food Choices	2.74	3.94	3.25
4	4	4	Health & Organic Foods	2.50	3.15	2.77
5	5	5	Skills Development for Cooking	2.11	2.79	2.40
6	6	6	Other	0.52	1.45	0.93
			Total Responses	254	210	464

10 in person surveys had no answer provided

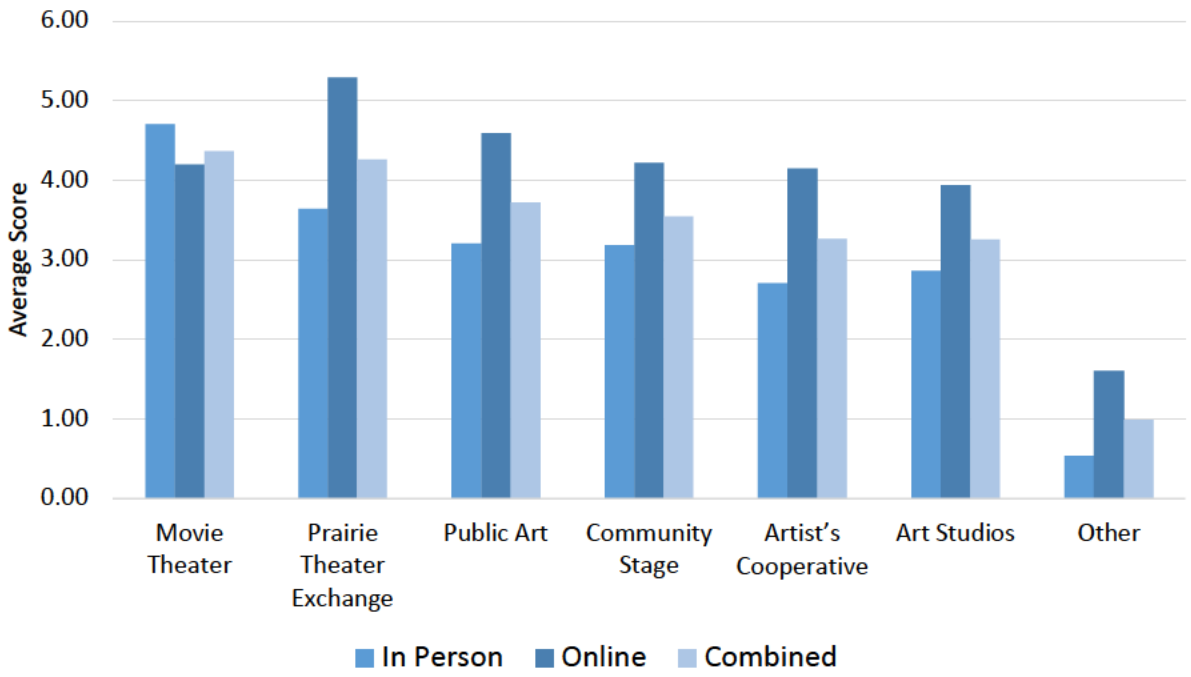
8a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Neighbourhood Services**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	1	1	Downtown Community Safety Program	7.27	9.99	8.48
2	5	2	Mental Health & Addictions	7.03	8.33	7.59
4	6	3	Affordable Retail	6.56	8.27	7.31
6	2	4	Child Care	6.07	8.72	7.25
3	9	5	Social Services/Income Assistance	6.63	7.54	7.02
5	8	6	Food & Drink Services	6.26	7.89	6.98
8	3	7	Affordable Food Franchises	5.62	8.52	6.92
12	4	8	Community Centre / Drop-In	4.83	8.39	6.43
10	10	9	Neighbourhood General Services	5.23	7.65	6.31
11	7	10	Newcomer Services	4.93	7.99	6.30
7	11	11	Community Offices	5.87	6.89	6.31
9	12	12	Personal Care	5.35	6.54	5.87
13	13	13	Financial	4.49	5.53	4.95
14	14	14	Other	0.72	2.75	1.64
			Total Responses	246	210	456

18 in person surveys had no answer provided

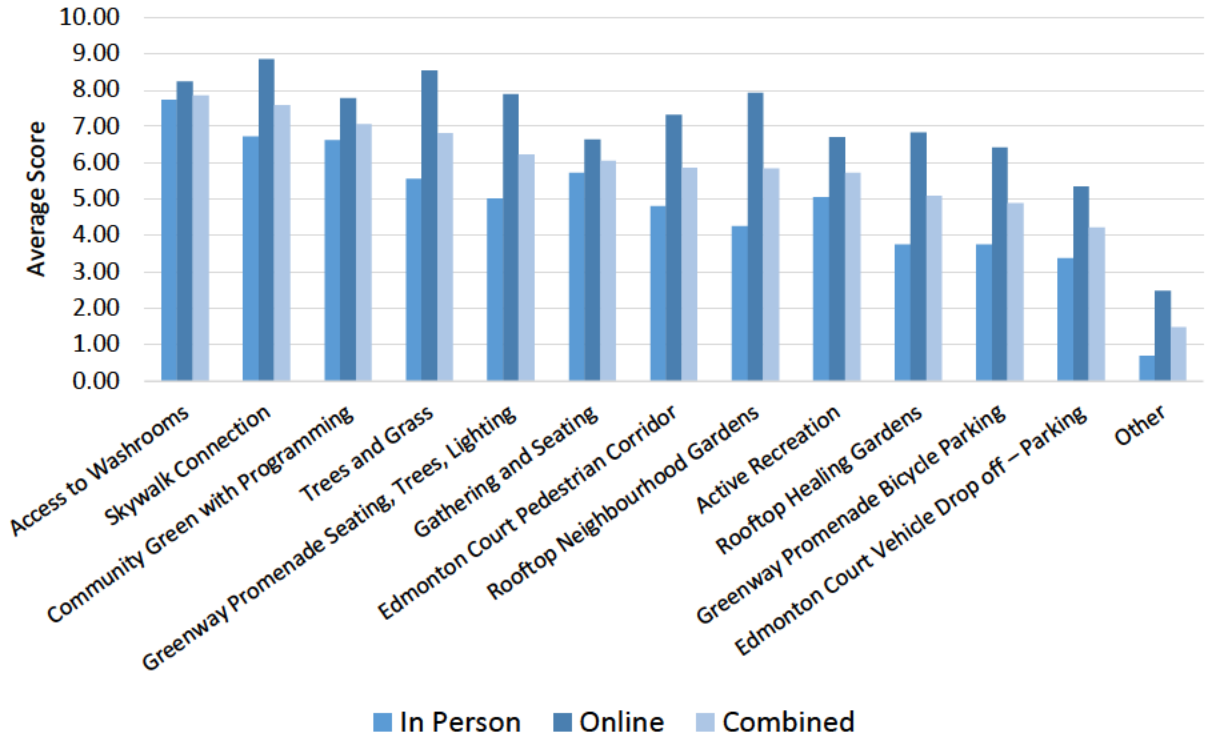
9a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Culture and Arts**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	4	1	Movie Theater	4.70	4.2	4.36
2	1	2	Prairie Theater Exchange	3.64	5.29	4.26
3	2	3	Public Art	3.21	4.59	3.72
4	3	4	Community Stage	3.18	4.22	3.55
6	5	5	Artist's Cooperative	2.71	4.15	3.27
5	6	6	Art Studios	2.86	3.94	3.26
7	7	7	Other	0.54	1.61	0.99
			Total Responses	246	210	456

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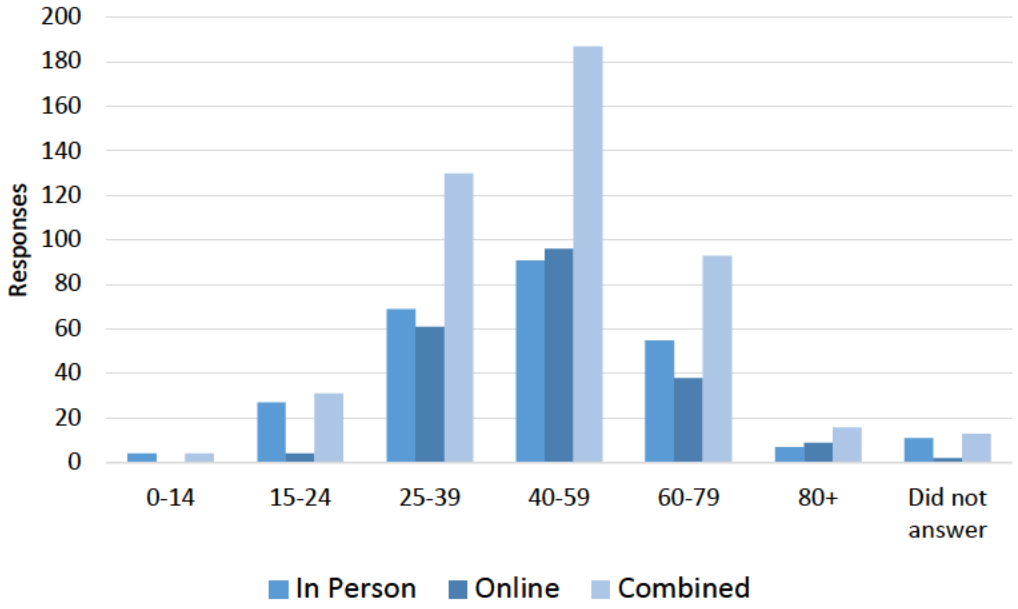
10a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Public Spaces and Greenways**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	3	1	Access to Washrooms	7.72	8.24	7.85
2	1	2	Skywalk Connection	6.73	8.86	7.60
3	6	3	Community Green with Programming	6.62	7.78	7.05
5	2	4	Trees and Grass	5.56	8.54	6.82
7	5	5	Greenway Promenade Seating, Trees, Lighting	5.03	7.88	6.24
4	10	6	Gathering and Seating	5.73	6.63	6.05
7	7	7	Edmonton Court Pedestrian Corridor	4.80	7.32	5.87
8	4	8	Rooftop Neighbourhood Gardens	4.27	7.93	5.85
6	9	9	Active Recreation	5.06	6.71	5.73
10	8	10	Rooftop Healing Gardens	3.75	6.84	5.08
9	11	11	Greenway Promenade Bicycle Parking	3.76	6.43	4.90
11	12	12	Edmonton Court Vehicle Drop off – Parking	3.38	5.36	4.22
12	13	13	Other	0.70	2.48	1.48
			Total Responses	246	210	456

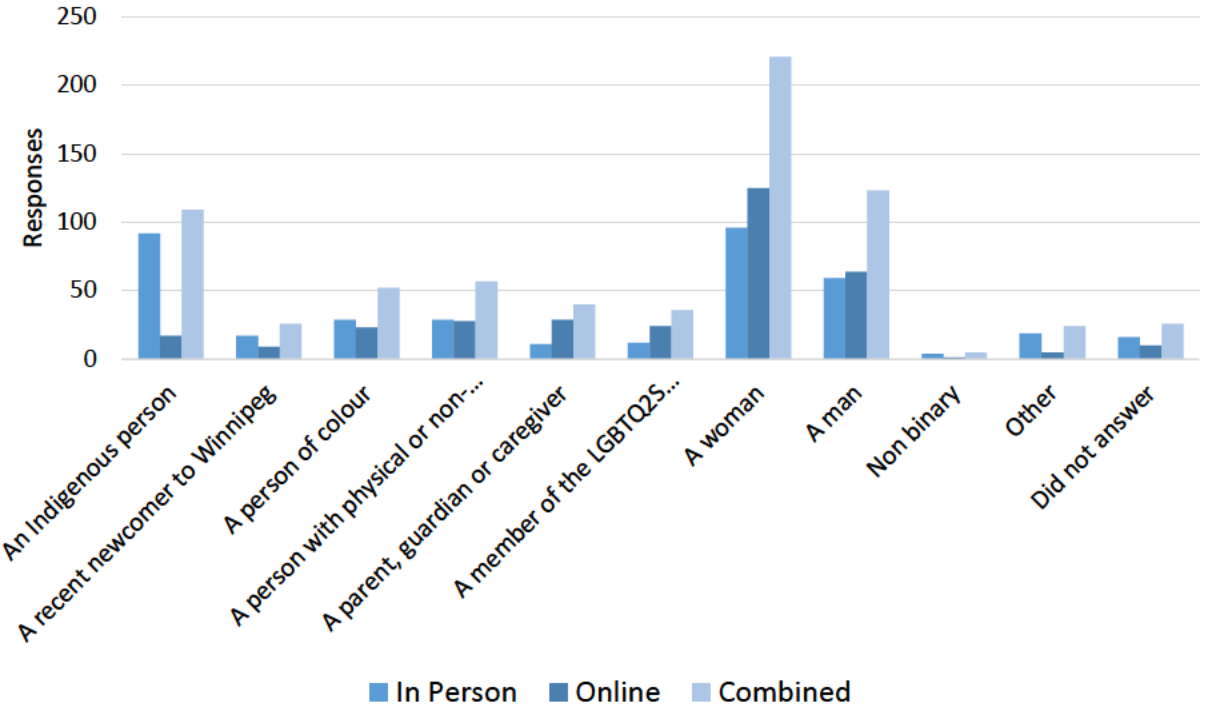
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12. How old are you?



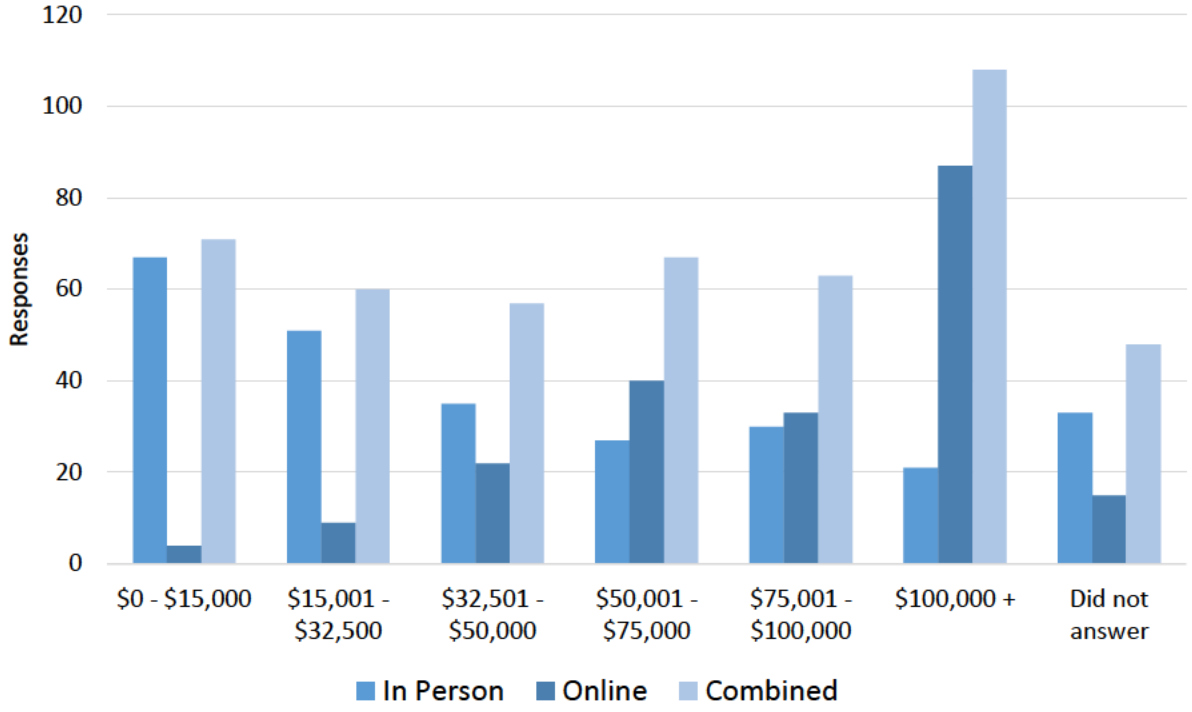
	In Person	Online	Combined
0-14	4	0	4
15-24	27	4	31
25-39	69	61	130
40-59	91	96	187
60-79	55	38	93
80+	7	9	16
Did not answer	11	2	13

13. Please self-identify as you feel comfortable.



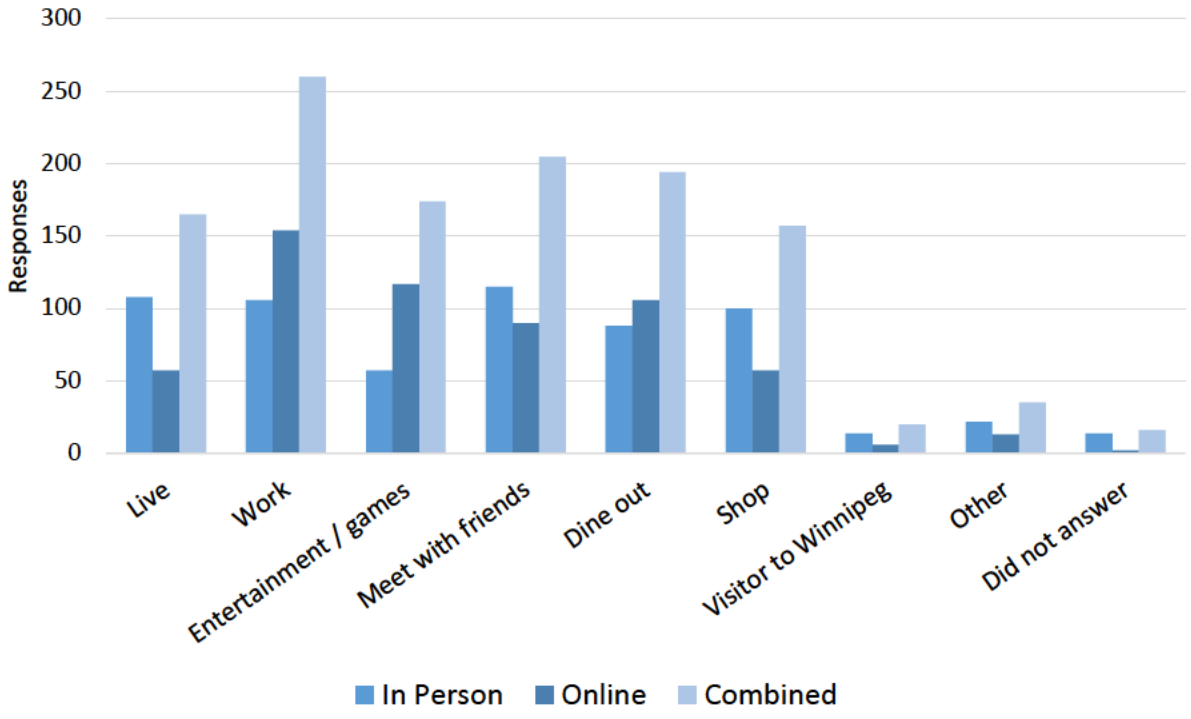
	In Person	Online	Combined
An Indigenous person	92	17	109
A recent newcomer to Winnipeg	17	9	26
A person of colour	29	23	52
A person with physical or non-visible disabilities	29	28	57
A parent, guardian or caregiver	11	29	40
A member of the LGBTQ2S community	12	24	36
A woman	96	125	221
A man	59	64	123
Non binary	4	1	5
Other	19	5	24
Did not answer	16	10	26

14. What is your household income?



	In Person	Online	Combined
$0 - $15,000	67	4	71
$15,001 - $32,500	51	9	60
$32,501 - $50,000	35	22	57
$50,001 - $75,000	27	40	67
$75,001 - $100,000	30	33	63
$100,000 +	21	87	108
Did not answer	33	15	48

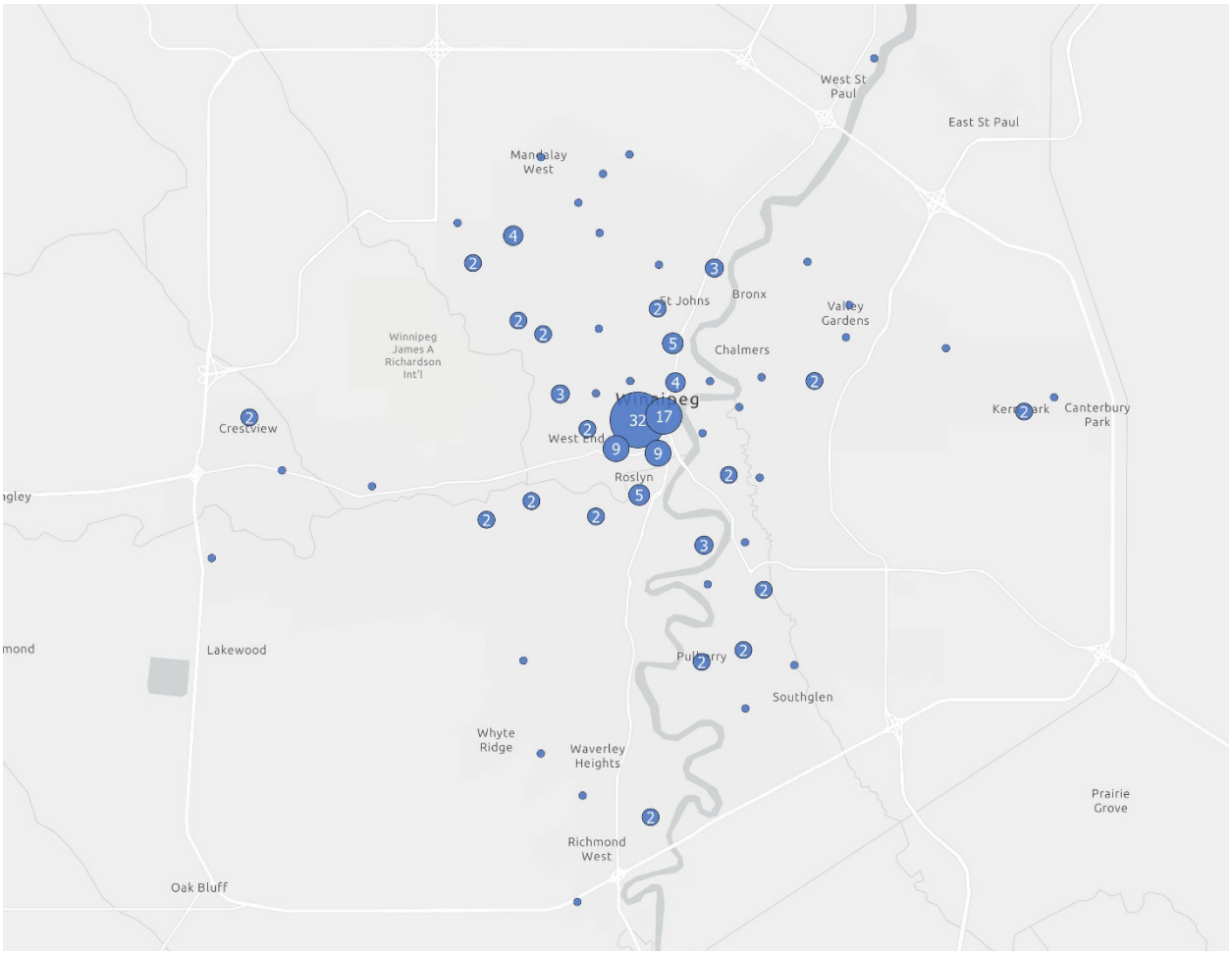
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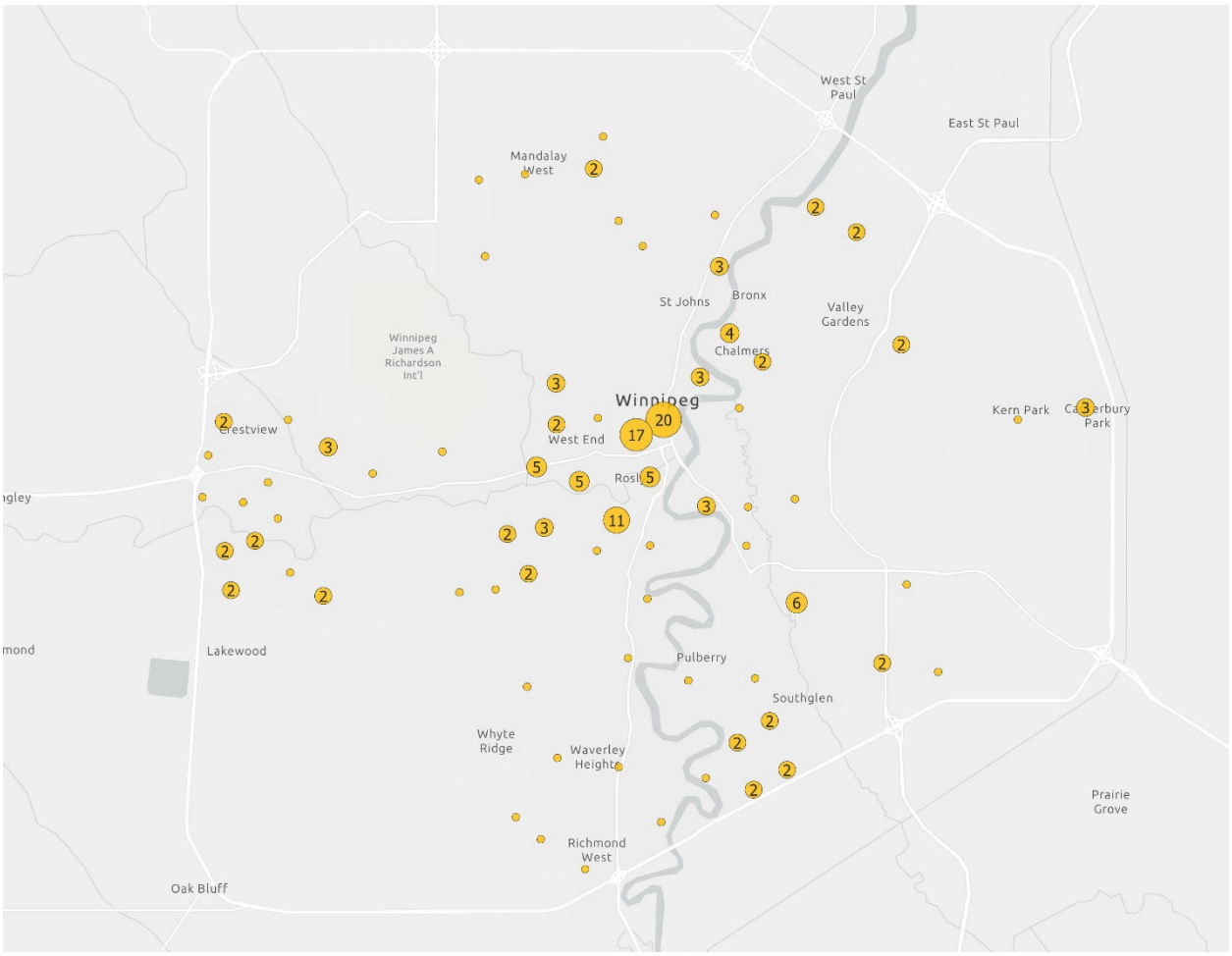
	In Person	Online	Combined
Live	108	57	165
Work	106	154	260
Entertainment / games	57	117	174
Meet with friends	115	90	205
Dine out	88	106	194
Shop	100	57	157
Visitor to Winnipeg	14	6	20
Other	22	13	35
Did not answer	14	2	16

16. What is your postal code?

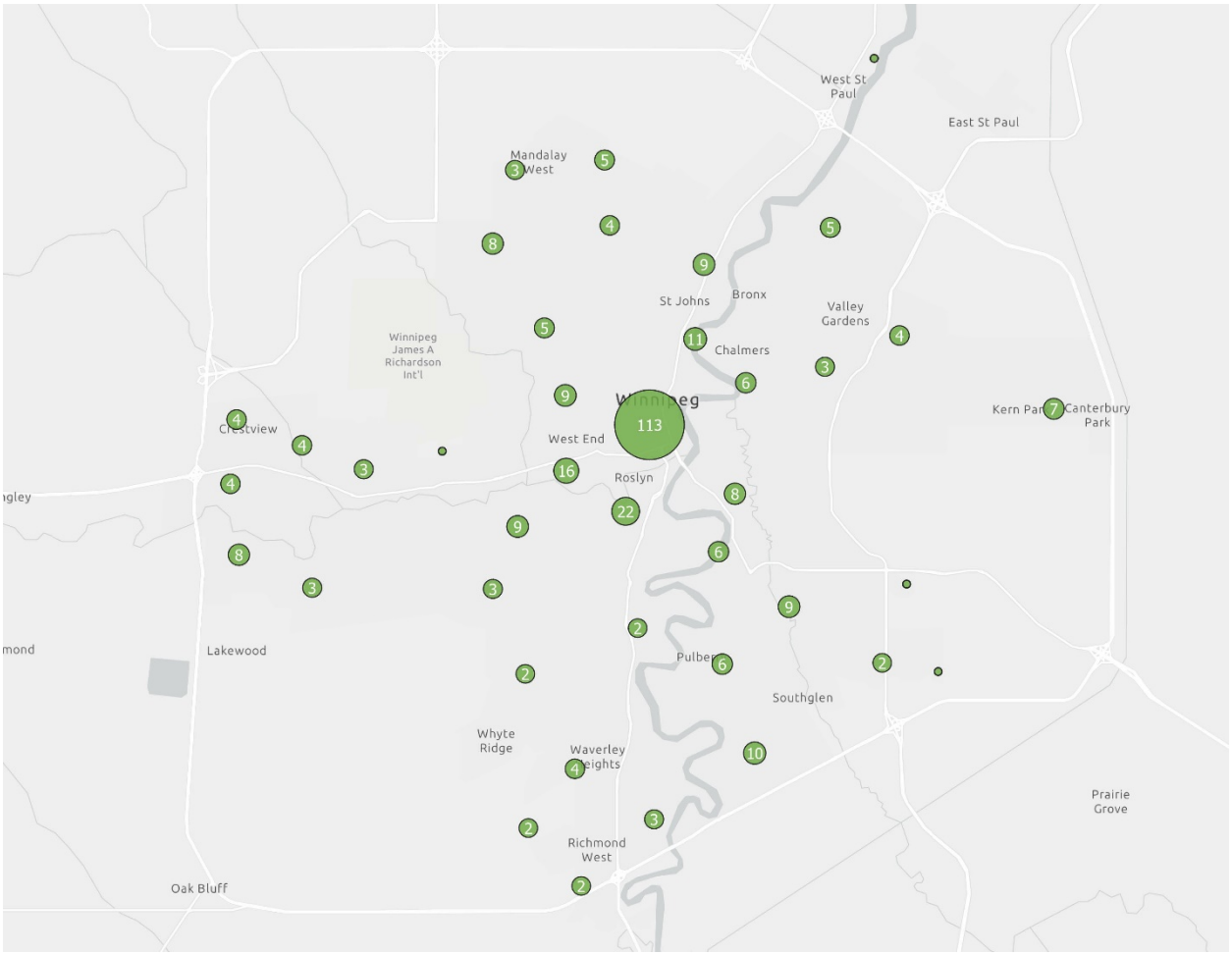
In person Responses



Online Responses



Combined Responses



APPENDIX D – ORIGINAL RESULTS
(MAY 22 - JUNE 5, IN-PERSON POP-UP MAY 30)

TRUE NORTH CAMPUS SURVEY RESULTS

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- Priorities for greenspace
- General comments
- Demographic questions (age, self-identification, household income)
- Purpose of visiting Downtown
- Location of residence (postal code)

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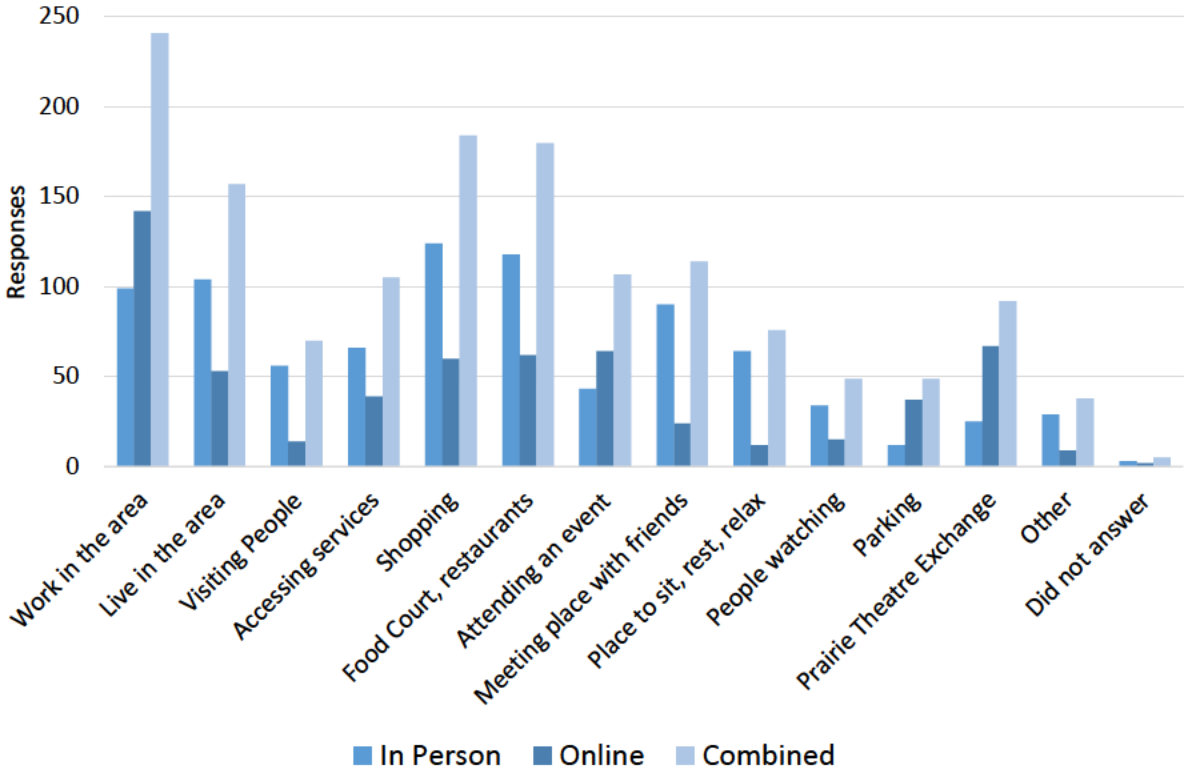
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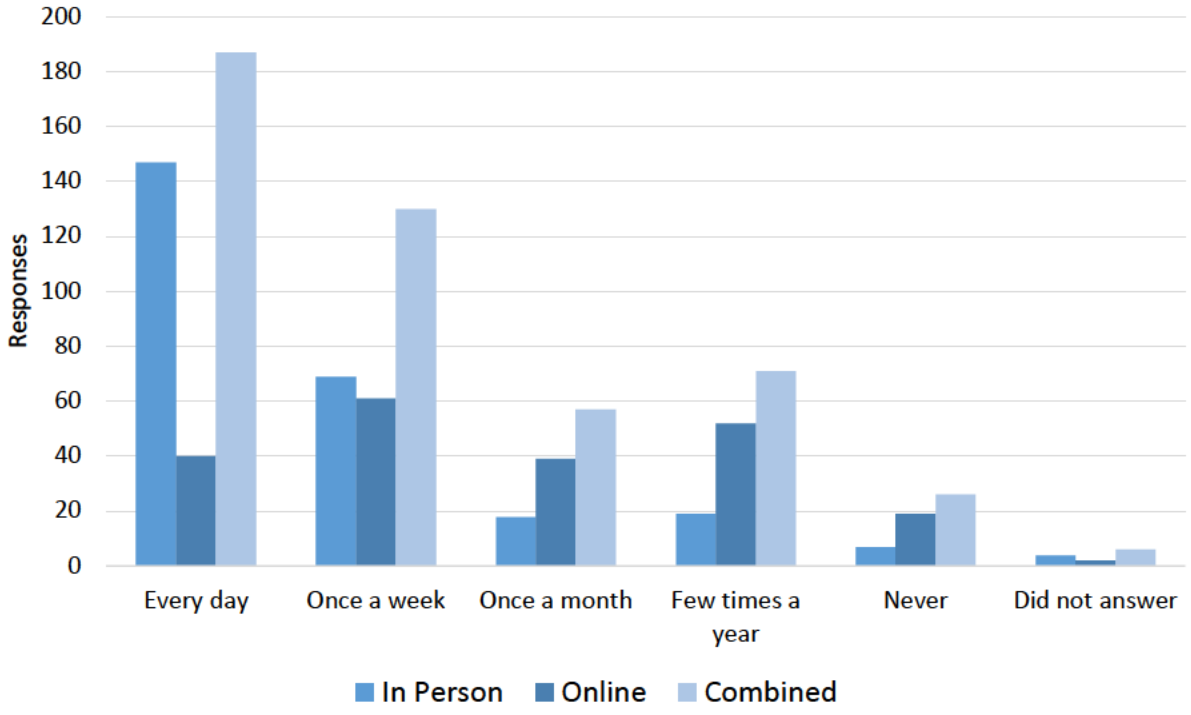
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1. What brings you to Portage Place?



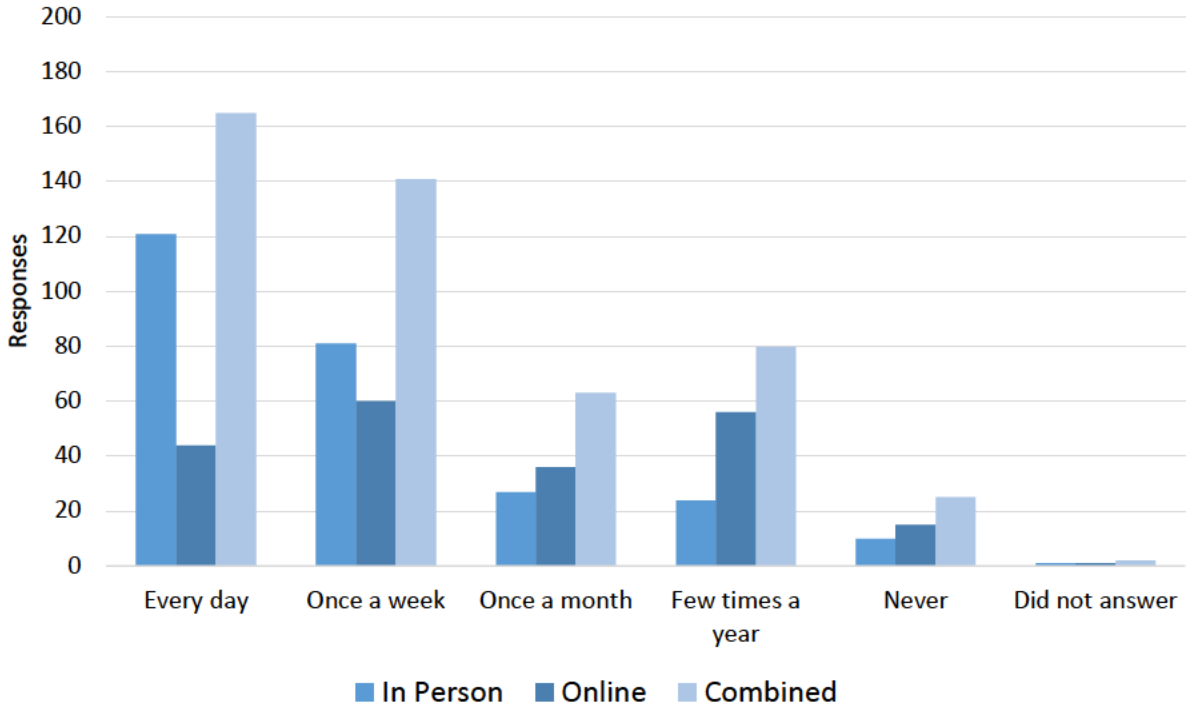
	In Person	Online	Combined
Work in the area	99	142	241
Live in the area	104	53	157
Visiting People	56	14	70
Accessing services	66	39	105
Shopping	124	60	184
Food Court, restaurants	118	62	180
Attending an event	43	64	107
Meeting place with friends	90	24	114
Place to sit, rest, relax	64	12	76
People watching	34	15	49
Parking	12	37	49
Prairie Theatre Exchange	25	67	92
Other	29	9	38
Did not answer	3	2	5

2. How often do you come to Portage Place in **warm weather** seasons?



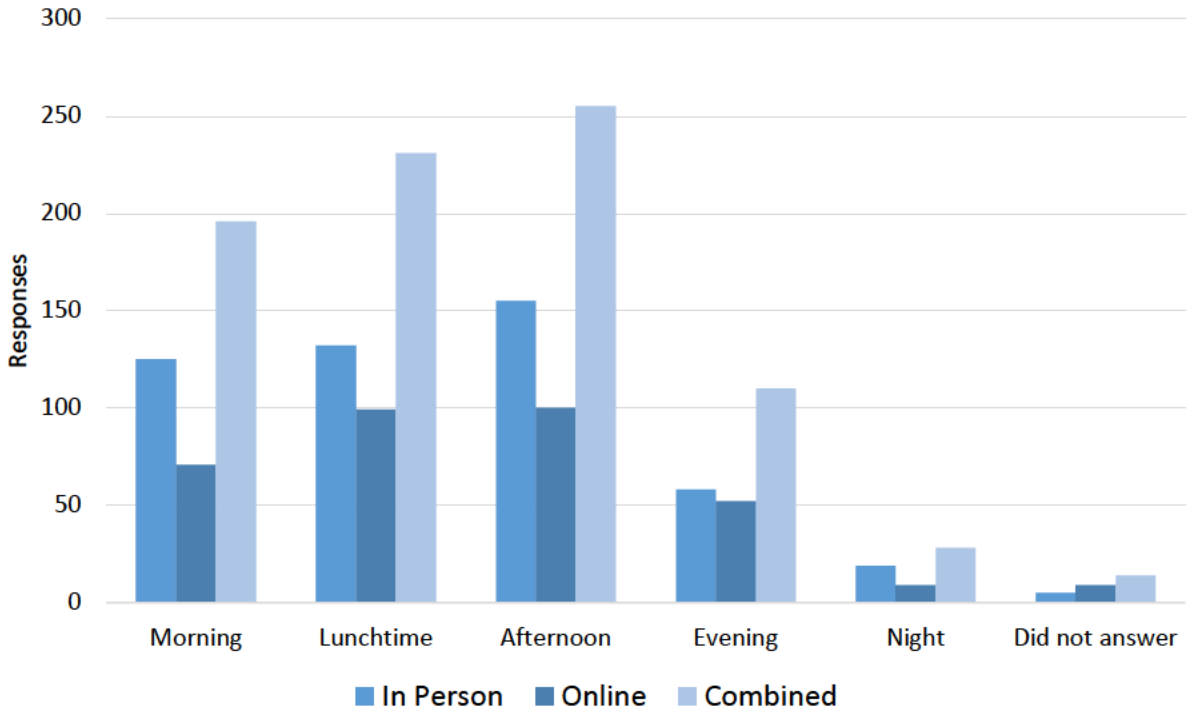
	In Person	Online	Combined
Every day	147	40	187
Once a week	69	61	130
Once a month	18	39	57
Few times a year	19	52	71
Never	7	19	26
Did not answer	4	2	6

3. How often do you come to Portage Place in **cold weather** seasons?



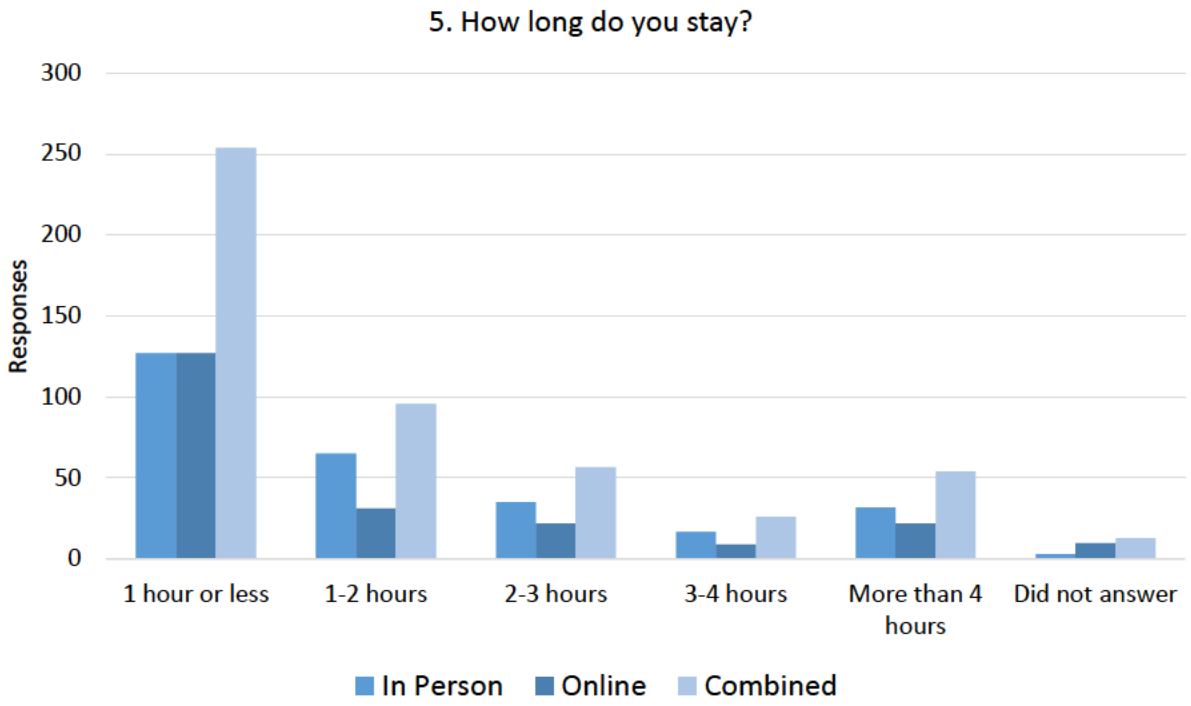
	In Person	Online	Combined
Every day	121	44	165
Once a week	81	60	141
Once a month	27	36	63
Few times a year	24	56	80
Never	10	15	25
Did not answer	1	1	2

4. What time do you usually come to Portage Place?



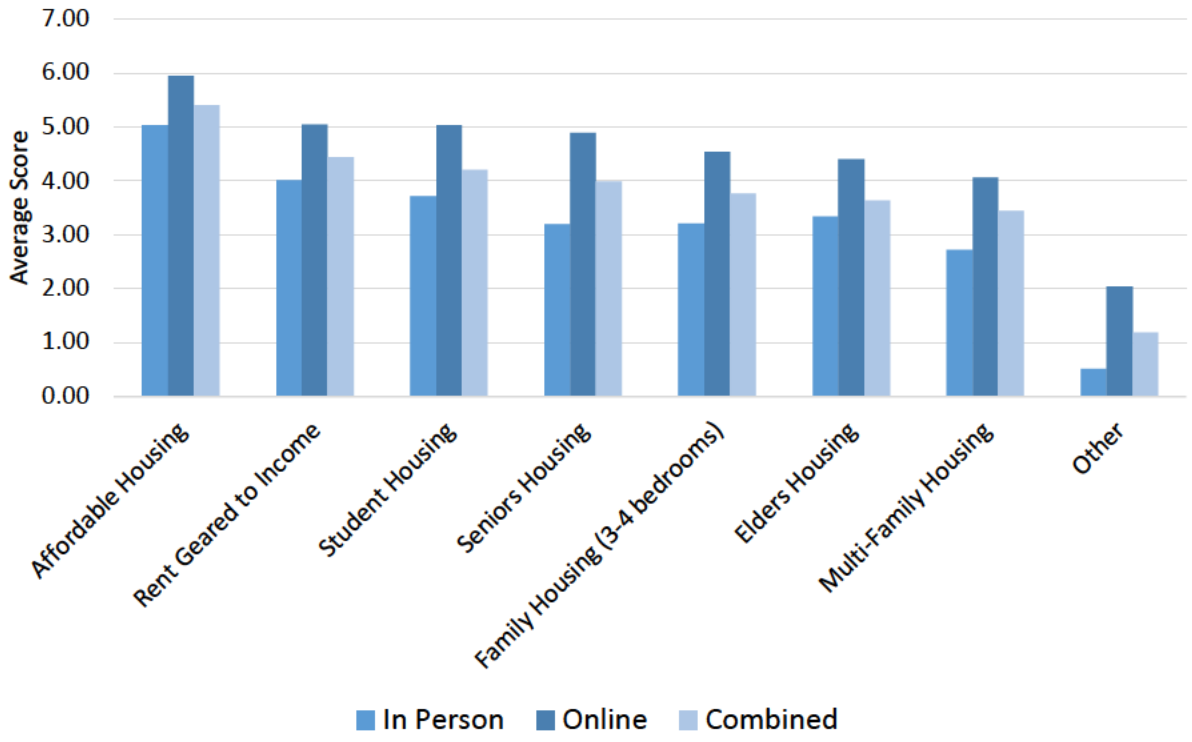
	In Person	Online	Combined
Morning	125	71	196
Lunchtime	132	99	231
Afternoon	155	100	255
Evening	58	52	110
Night	19	9	28
Did not answer	5	9	14

5. How long do you stay?



	In Person	Online	Combined
1 hour or less	127	127	254
1-2 hours	65	31	96
2-3 hours	35	22	57
3-4 hours	17	9	26
More than 4 hours	32	22	54
Did not answer	3	10	13

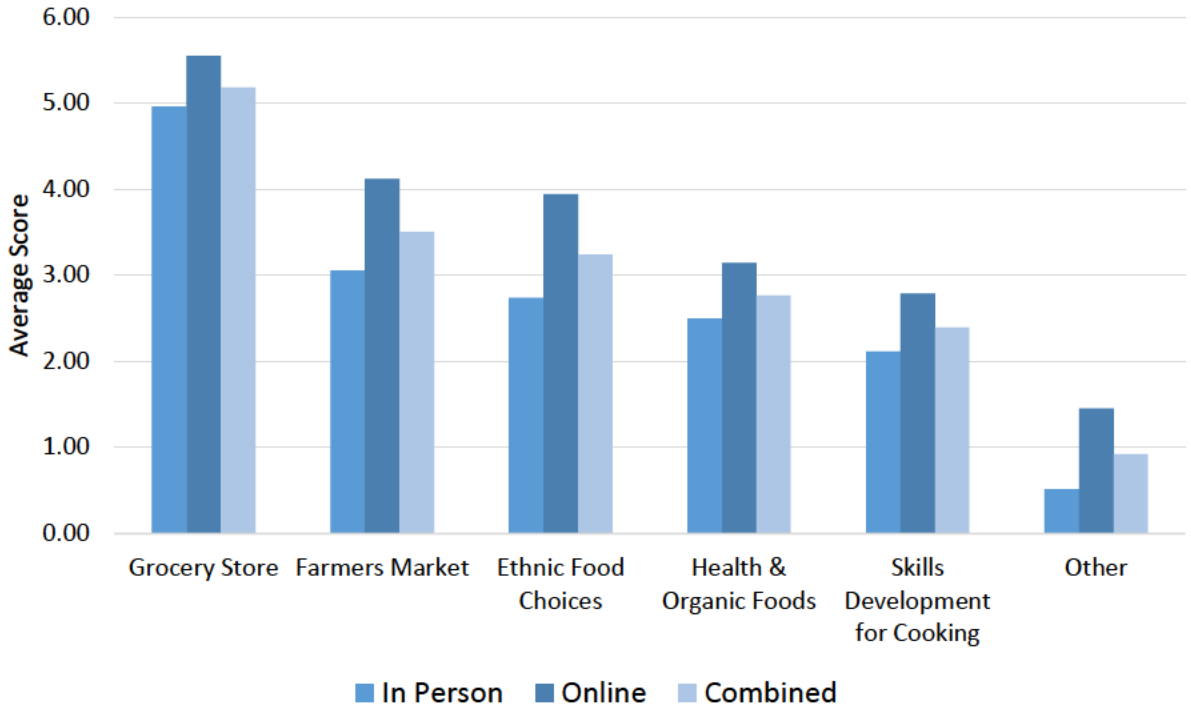
6a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Housing**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	1	1	Affordable Housing	5.04	5.95	5.40
2	2	2	Rent Geared to Income	4.01	5.05	4.44
3	3	3	Student Housing	3.72	5.04	4.21
6	4	4	Seniors Housing	3.19	4.9	3.99
5	5	5	Family Housing (3-4 bedrooms)	3.21	4.54	3.77
4	6	6	Elders Housing	3.34	4.41	3.63
7	7	7	Multi-Family Housing	2.72	4.07	3.45
8	8	8	Other	0.52	2.04	1.19

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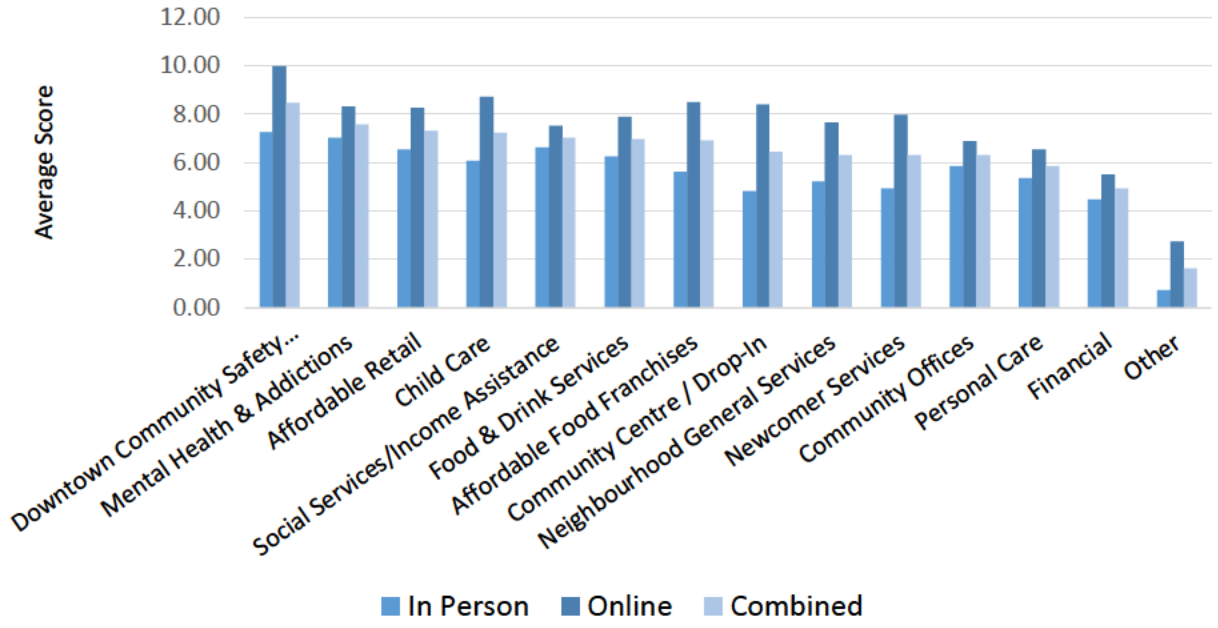
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Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	1	1	Grocery Store	4.96	5.55	5.18
2	2	2	Farmers Market	3.06	4.12	3.50
3	3	3	Ethnic Food Choices	2.74	3.94	3.25
4	4	4	Health & Organic Foods	2.50	3.15	2.77
5	5	5	Skills Development for Cooking	2.11	2.79	2.40
6	6	6	Other	0.52	1.45	0.93
			Total Responses	254	210	464

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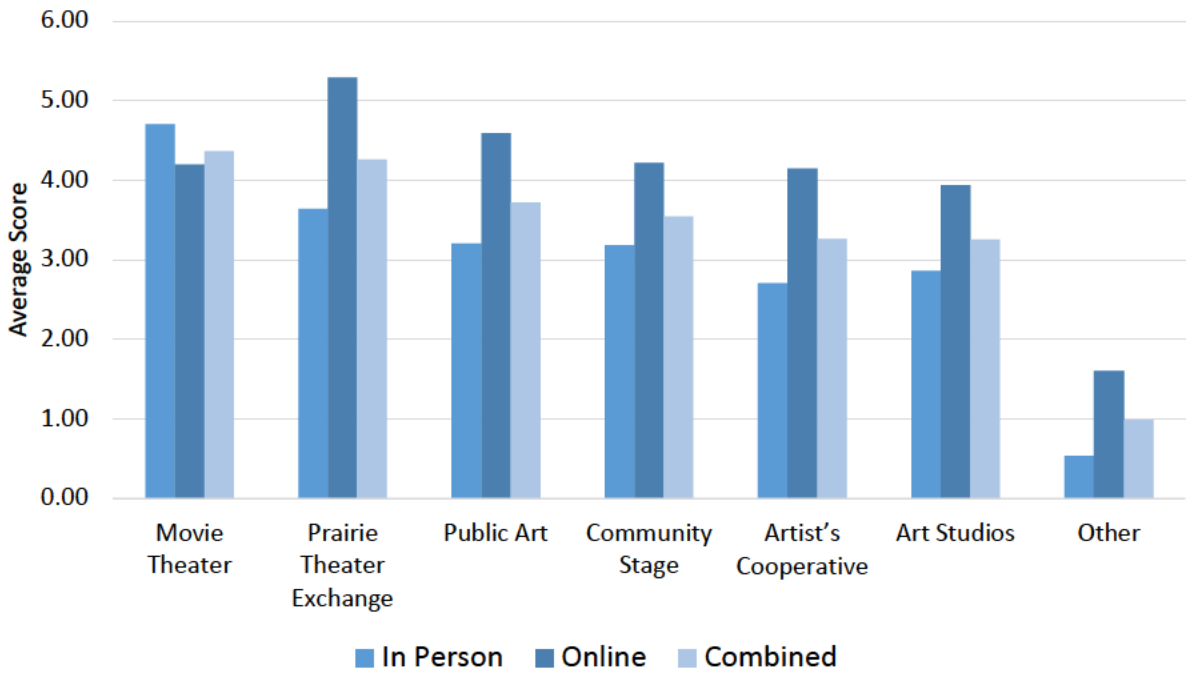
8a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Neighbourhood Services**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	1	1	Downtown Community Safety Program	7.27	9.99	8.48
2	5	2	Mental Health & Addictions	7.03	8.33	7.59
4	6	3	Affordable Retail	6.56	8.27	7.31
6	2	4	Child Care	6.07	8.72	7.25
3	9	5	Social Services/Income Assistance	6.63	7.54	7.02
5	8	6	Food & Drink Services	6.26	7.89	6.98
8	3	7	Affordable Food Franchises	5.62	8.52	6.92
12	4	8	Community Centre / Drop-In	4.83	8.39	6.43
10	10	9	Neighbourhood General Services	5.23	7.65	6.31
11	7	10	Newcomer Services	4.93	7.99	6.30
7	11	11	Community Offices	5.87	6.89	6.31
9	12	12	Personal Care	5.35	6.54	5.87
13	13	13	Financial	4.49	5.53	4.95
14	14	14	Other	0.72	2.75	1.64
			Total Responses	246	210	456

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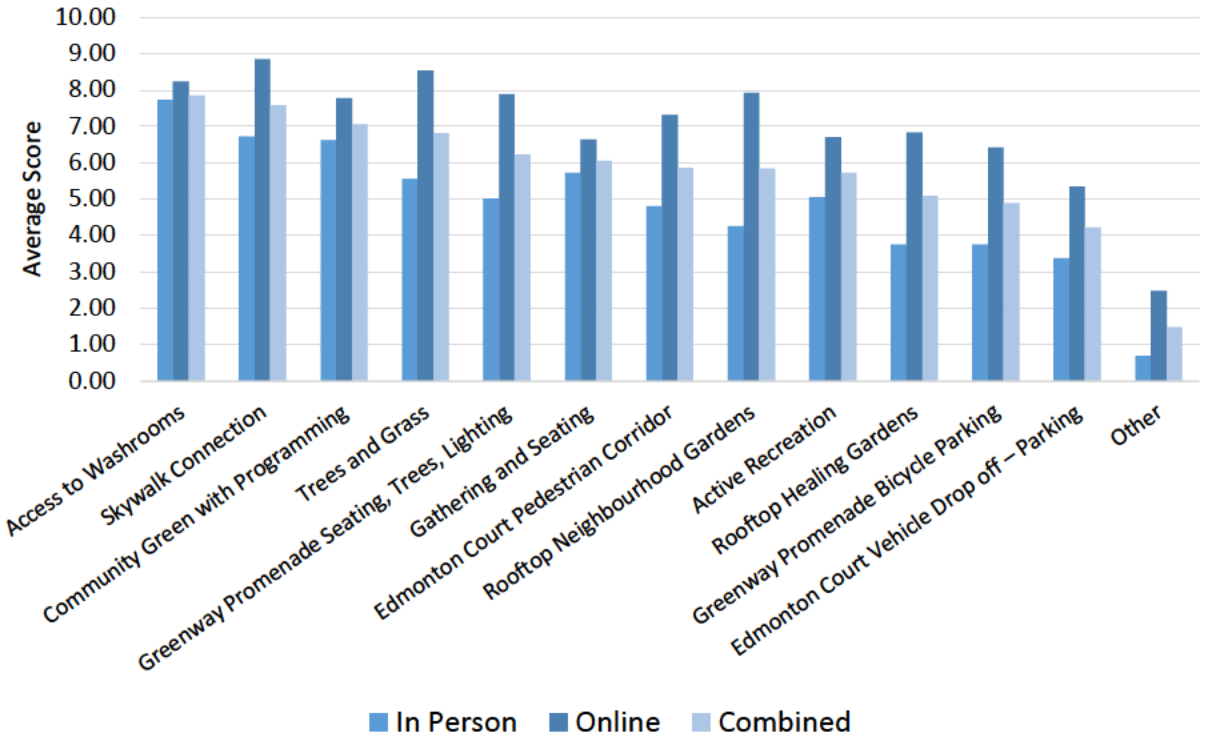
9a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Culture and Arts**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	4	1	Movie Theater	4.70	4.2	4.36
2	1	2	Prairie Theater Exchange	3.64	5.29	4.26
3	2	3	Public Art	3.21	4.59	3.72
4	3	4	Community Stage	3.18	4.22	3.55
6	5	5	Artist's Cooperative	2.71	4.15	3.27
5	6	6	Art Studios	2.86	3.94	3.26
7	7	7	Other	0.54	1.61	0.99
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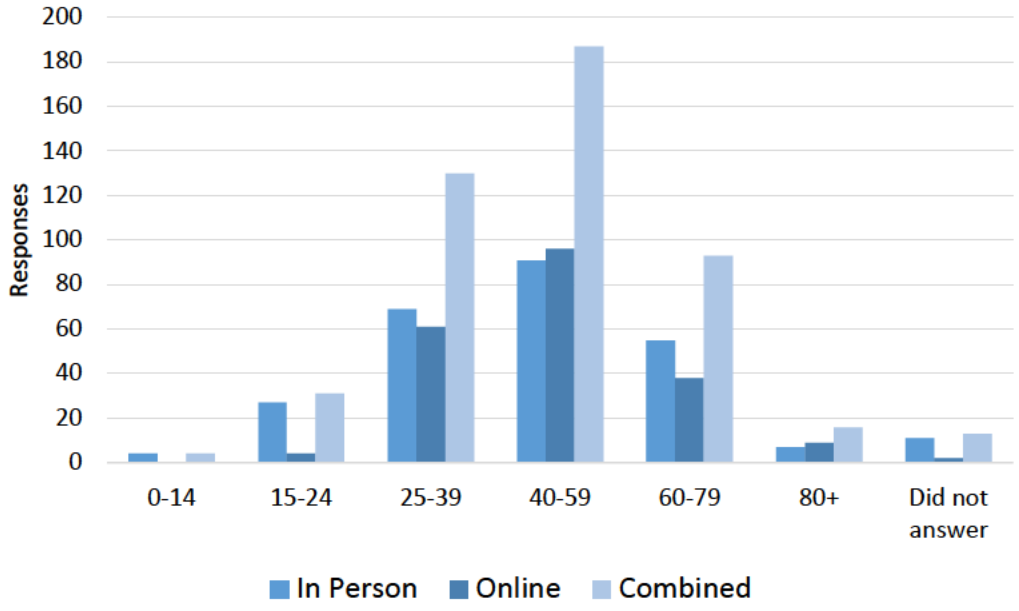
10a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Public Spaces and Greenways**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	3	1	Access to Washrooms	7.72	8.24	7.85
2	1	2	Skywalk Connection	6.73	8.86	7.60
3	6	3	Community Green with Programming	6.62	7.78	7.05
5	2	4	Trees and Grass	5.56	8.54	6.82
7	5	5	Greenway Promenade Seating, Trees, Lighting	5.03	7.88	6.24
4	10	6	Gathering and Seating	5.73	6.63	6.05
7	7	7	Edmonton Court Pedestrian Corridor	4.80	7.32	5.87
8	4	8	Rooftop Neighbourhood Gardens	4.27	7.93	5.85
6	9	9	Active Recreation	5.06	6.71	5.73
10	8	10	Rooftop Healing Gardens	3.75	6.84	5.08
9	11	11	Greenway Promenade Bicycle Parking	3.76	6.43	4.90
11	12	12	Edmonton Court Vehicle Drop off – Parking	3.38	5.36	4.22
12	13	13	Other	0.70	2.48	1.48
			Total Responses	246	210	456

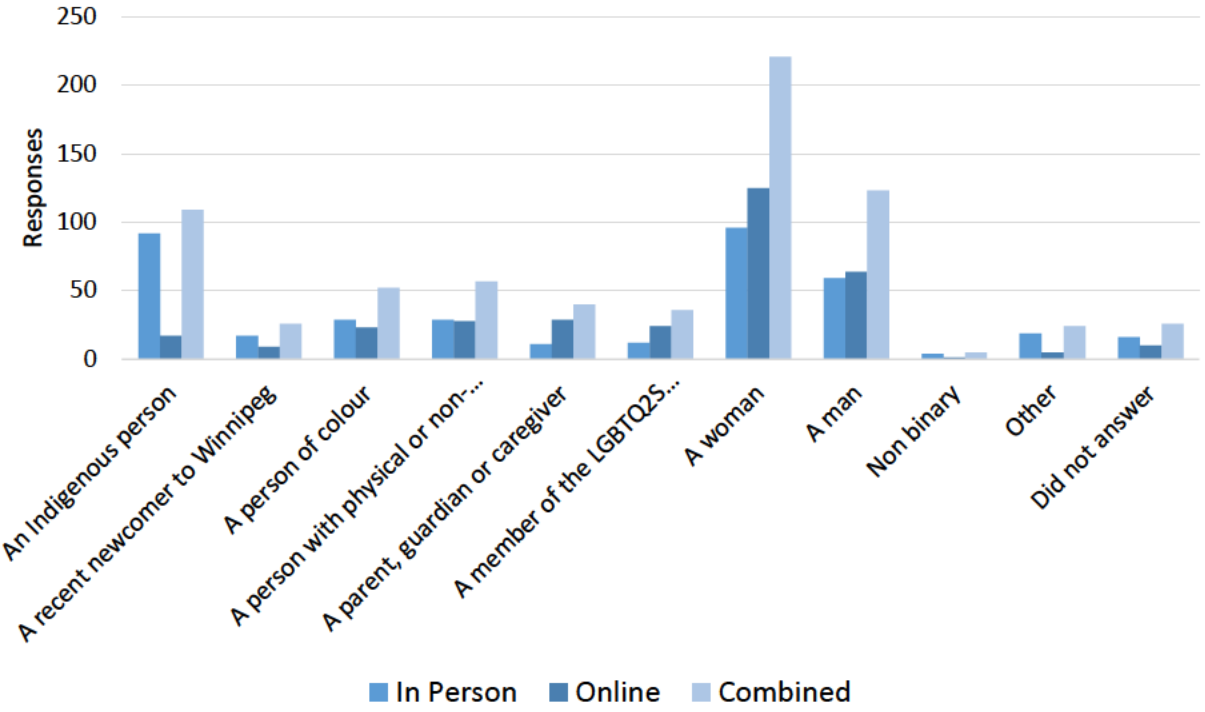
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12. How old are you?



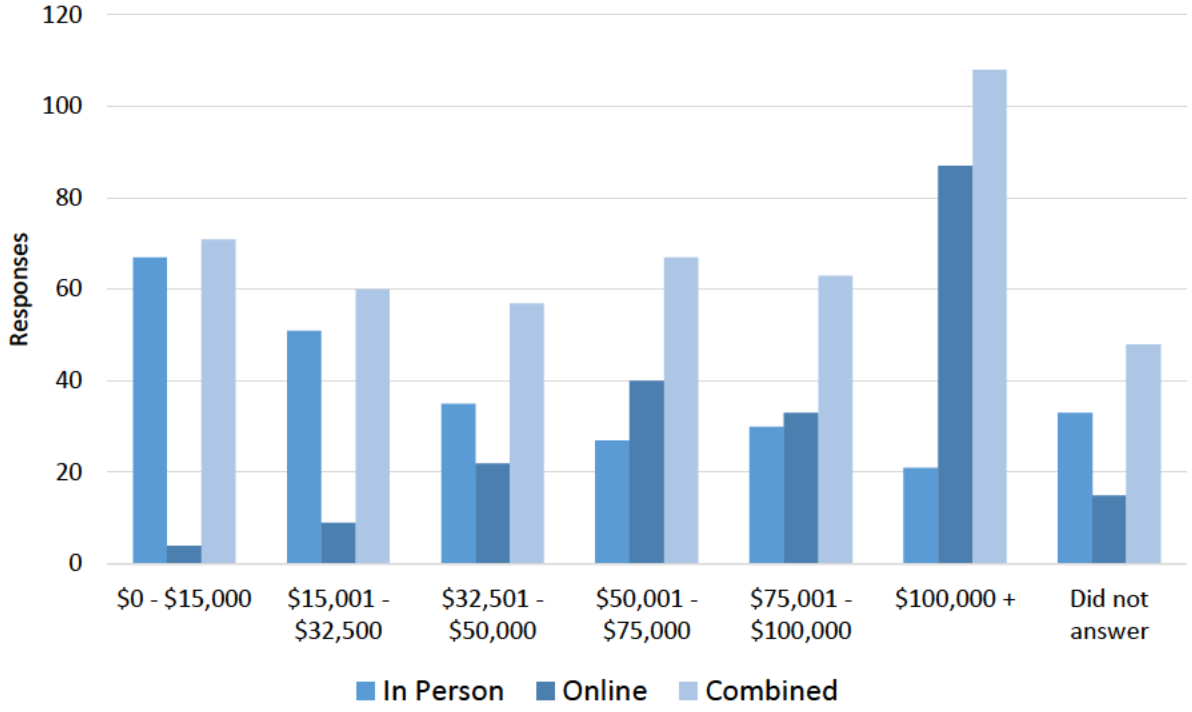
	In Person	Online	Combined
0-14	4	0	4
15-24	27	4	31
25-39	69	61	130
40-59	91	96	187
60-79	55	38	93
80+	7	9	16
Did not answer	11	2	13

13. Please self-identify as you feel comfortable.



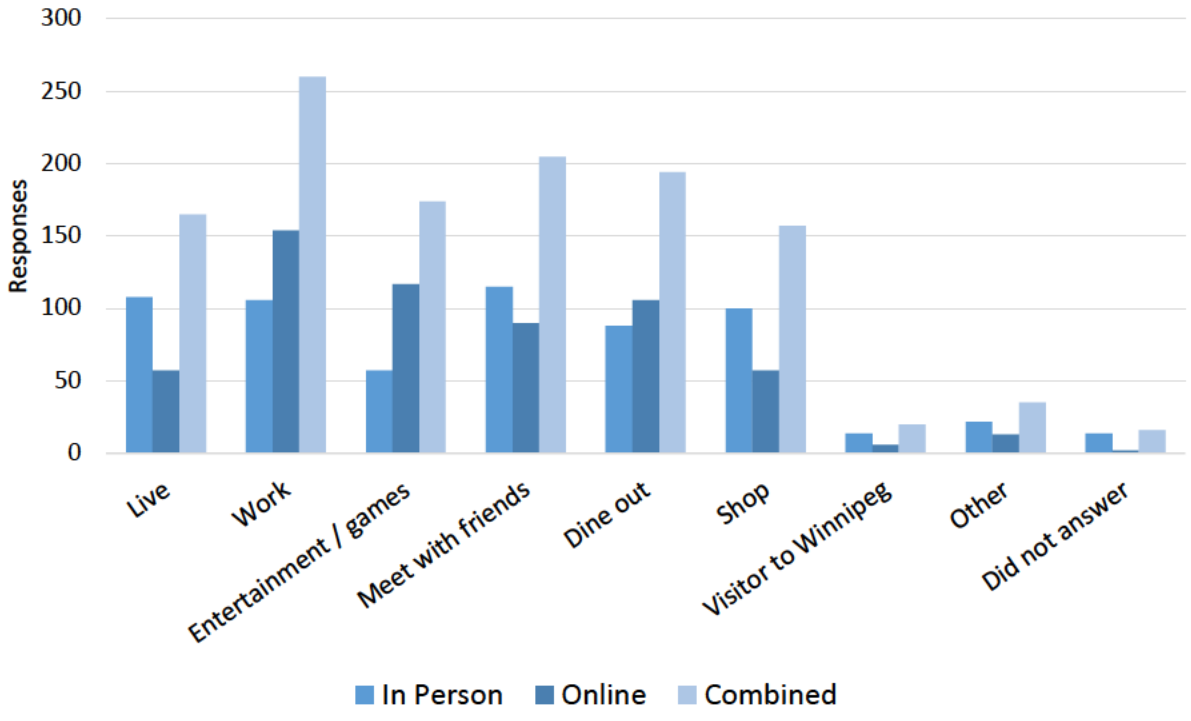
	In Person	Online	Combined
An Indigenous person	92	17	109
A recent newcomer to Winnipeg	17	9	26
A person of colour	29	23	52
A person with physical or non-visible disabilities	29	28	57
A parent, guardian or caregiver	11	29	40
A member of the LGBTQ2S community	12	24	36
A woman	96	125	221
A man	59	64	123
Non binary	4	1	5
Other	19	5	24
Did not answer	16	10	26

14. What is your household income?



	In Person	Online	Combined
$0 - $15,000	67	4	71
$15,001 - $32,500	51	9	60
$32,501 - $50,000	35	22	57
$50,001 - $75,000	27	40	67
$75,001 - $100,000	30	33	63
$100,000 +	21	87	108
Did not answer	33	15	48

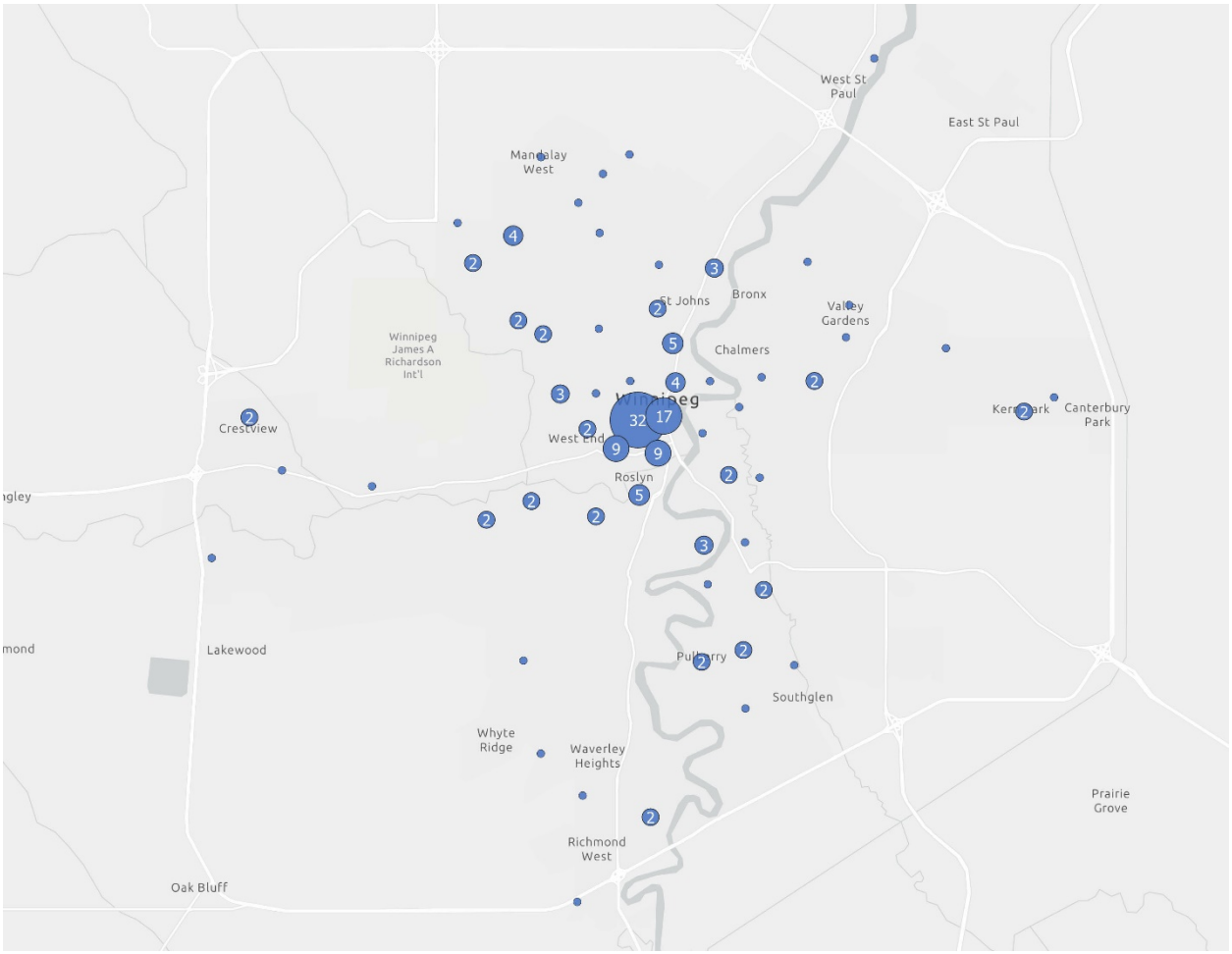
15. What brings you Downtown?



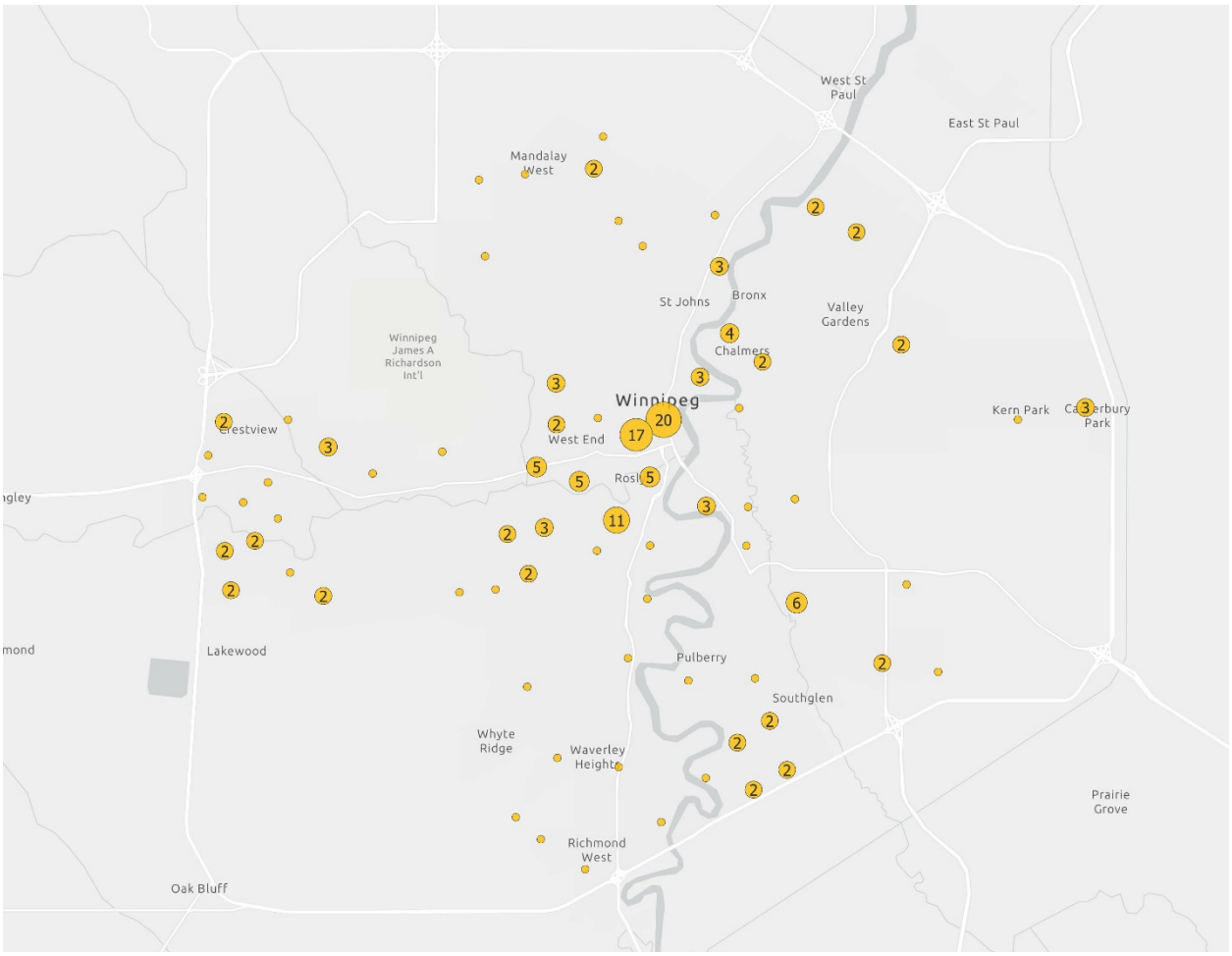
	In Person	Online	Combined
Live	108	57	165
Work	106	154	260
Entertainment / games	57	117	174
Meet with friends	115	90	205
Dine out	88	106	194
Shop	100	57	157
Visitor to Winnipeg	14	6	20
Other	22	13	35
Did not answer	14	2	16

16. What is your postal code?

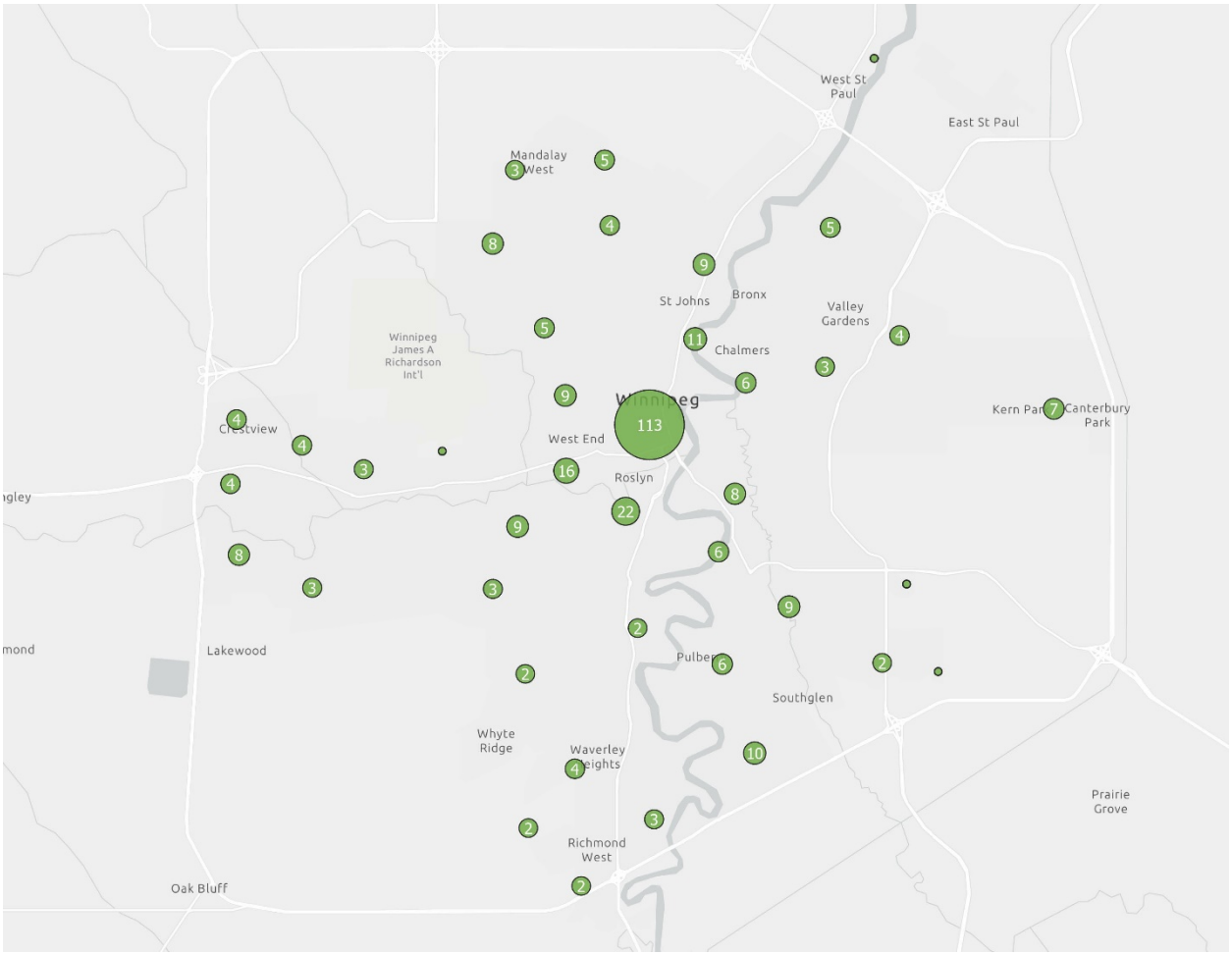
In person Responses



Online Responses



Combined Responses



APPENDIX E – LIVE IN THE AREA RESULTS

(212 RESPONDENTS FROM THE 702 SURVEY RESPONSES)

TRUE NORTH CAMPUS SURVEY RESULTS

The following is a summary of survey responses for the True North Campus project is filtered by those who identified living in the Downtown Winnipeg area. The survey was designed to reach Portage Place users in order to compile the following information:

- Purpose of using Portage Place
- Time of year and time of day visitation
- Priorities for housing
- Priorities for food security
- Priorities for neighbourhood services
- Priorities for arts and culture
- Priorities for greenspace
- General comments
- Demographic questions (age, self-identification, household income)
- Purpose of visiting Downtown
- Location of residence (postal code)

Survey responses were collected digitally and in-person at the Open House event at Portage Place on Tuesday May 30, 2023. The online survey launched May 22, 2023 and closed June 9, 2023. It was re-opened on July 6, 2023 until July 21, 2023 for additional targeted responses from youth and equity-serving organizations. During this time, the online survey received 107 responses from individuals who live in the immediate area. The Open House event generated another 105 responses for a combined total of 212 surveys completed by those that live in the Portage Place area.

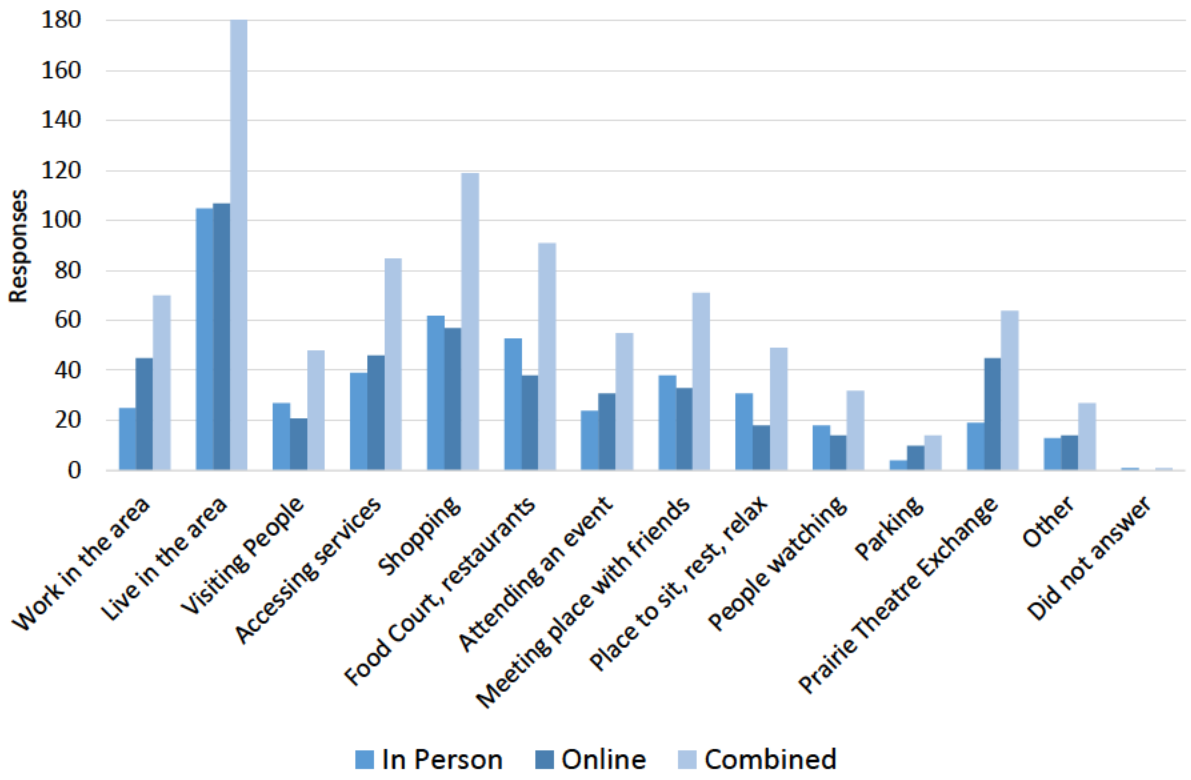
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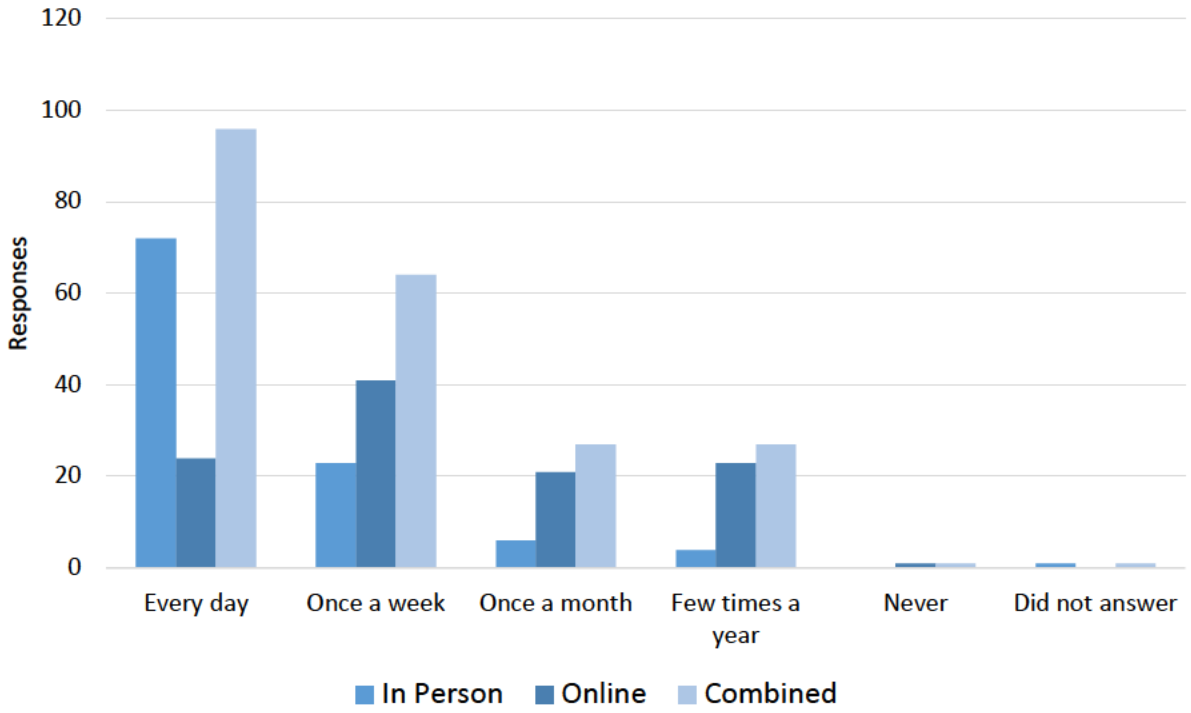
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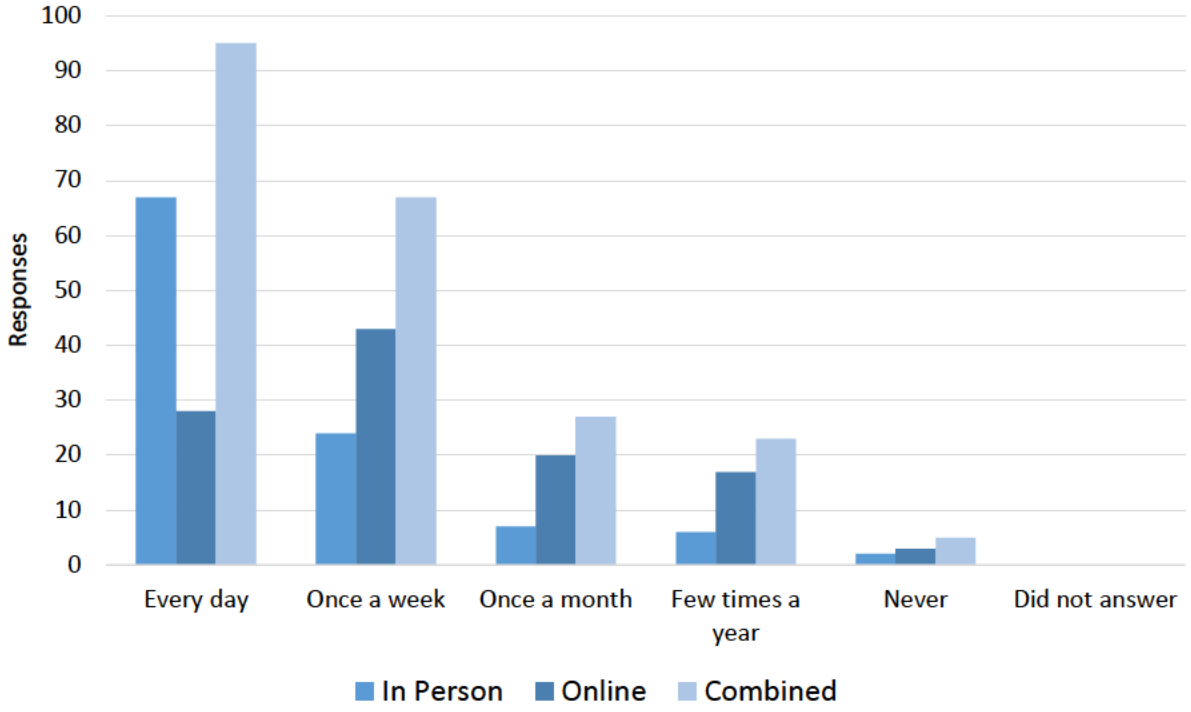
	In Person	Online	Combined
Work in the area	25	45	70
Live in the area	105	107	212
Visiting People	27	21	48
Accessing services	39	46	85
Shopping	62	57	119
Food Court, restaurants	53	38	91
Attending an event	24	31	55
Meeting place with friends	38	33	71
Place to sit, rest, relax	31	18	49
People watching	18	14	32
Parking	4	10	14
Prairie Theatre Exchange	19	45	64
Other	13	14	27
Did not answer	1	0	1

2. How often do you come to Portage Place in **warm weather** seasons?



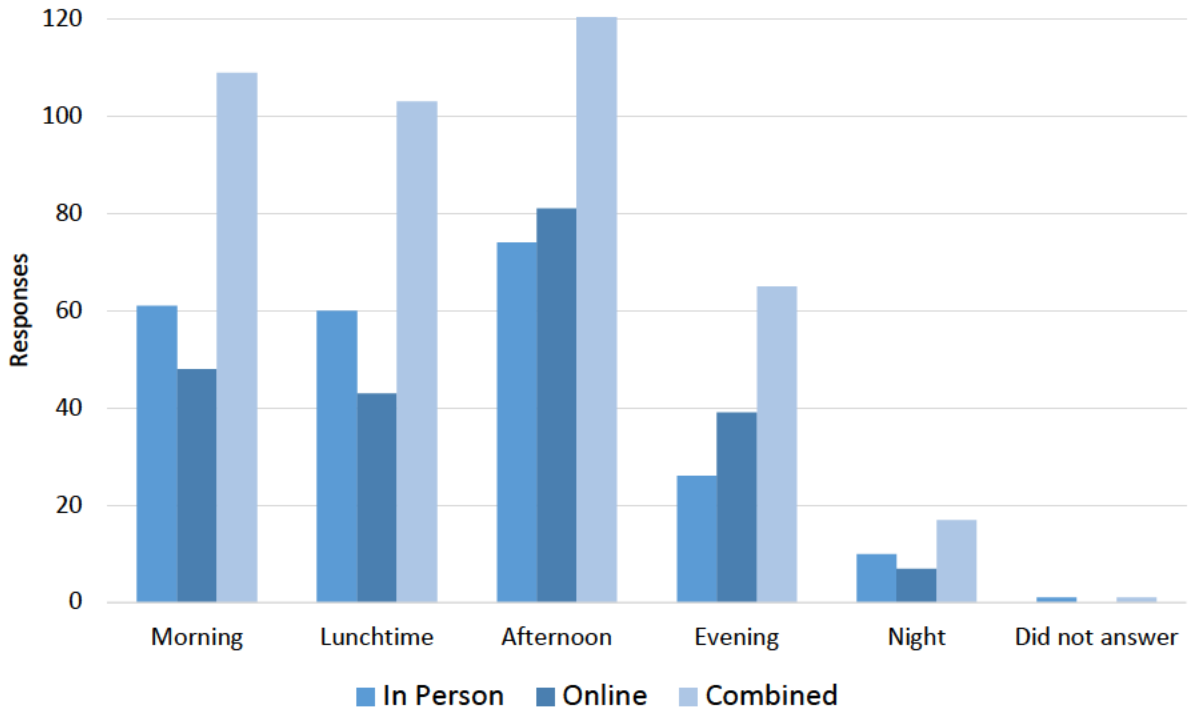
	In Person	Online	Combined
Every day	72	24	96
Once a week	23	41	64
Once a month	6	21	27
Few times a year	4	23	27
Never	0	1	1
Did not answer	1	0	1

3. How often do you come to Portage Place in **cold weather** seasons?



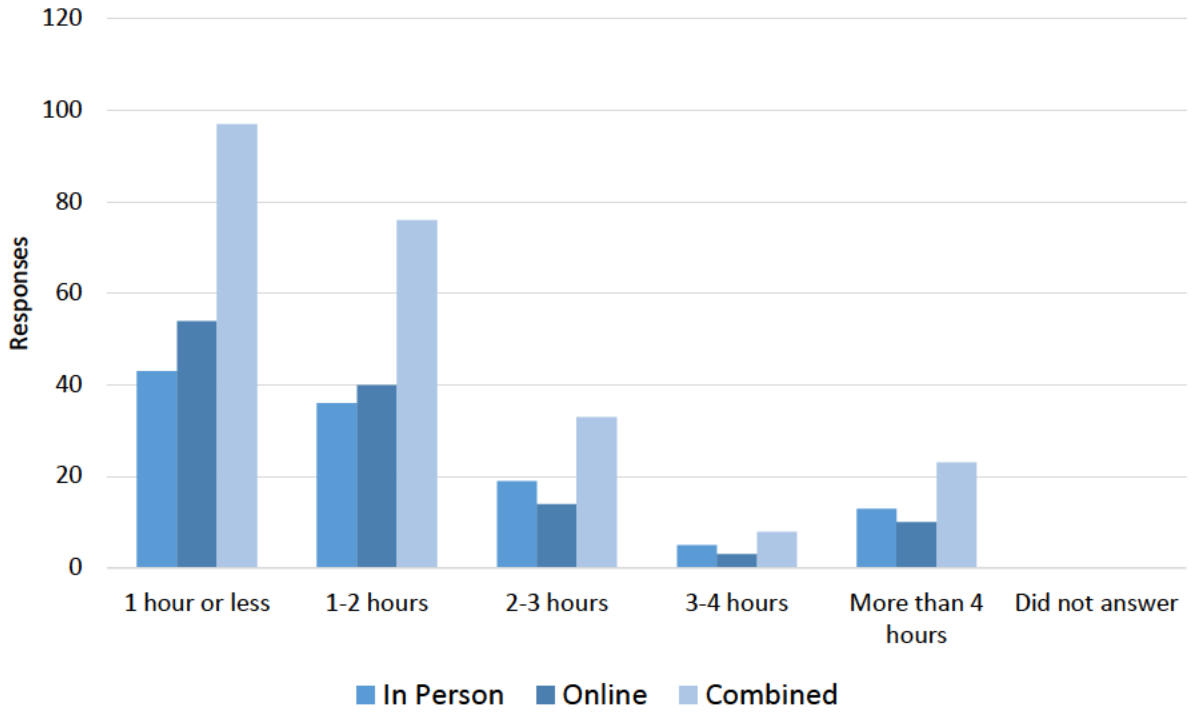
	In Person	Online	Combined
Every day	67	28	95
Once a week	24	43	67
Once a month	7	20	27
Few times a year	6	17	23
Never	2	3	5
Did not answer	0	0	0

4. What time do you usually come to Portage Place?



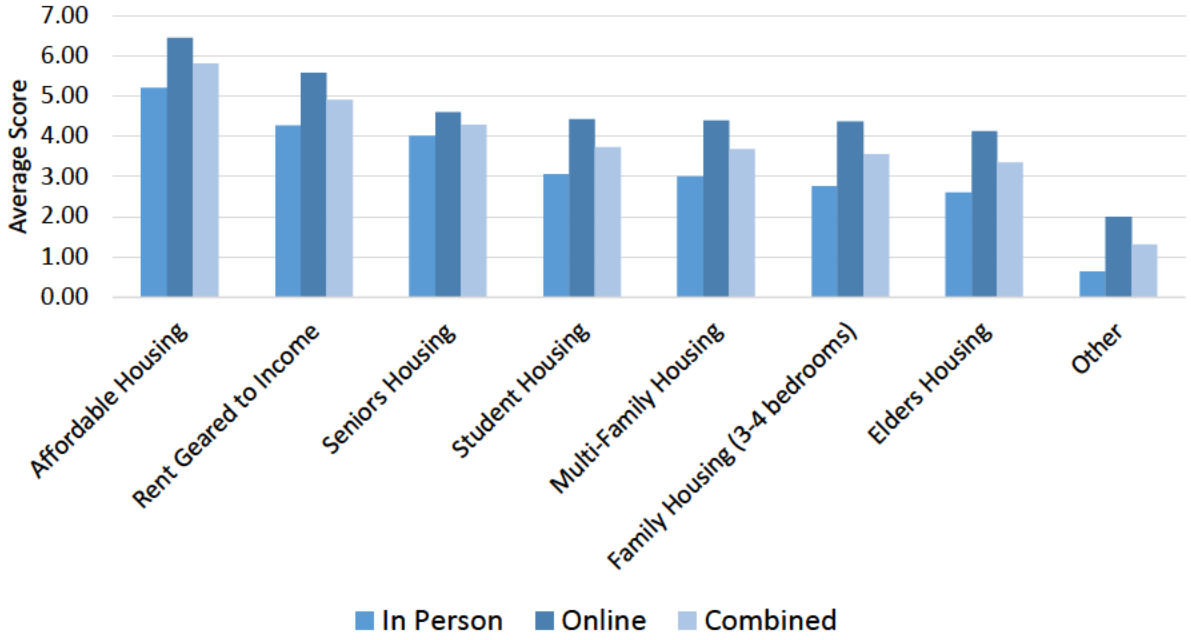
	In Person	Online	Combined
Morning	61	48	109
Lunchtime	60	43	103
Afternoon	74	81	155
Evening	26	39	65
Night	10	7	17
Did not answer	1	0	1

5. How long do you stay?



	In Person	Online	Combined
1 hour or less	43	54	97
1-2 hours	36	40	76
2-3 hours	19	14	33
3-4 hours	5	3	8
More than 4 hours	13	10	23
Did not answer	0	0	0

6a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Housing**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	1	1	Affordable Housing	5.22	6.46	5.82
2	2	2	Rent Geared to Income	4.29	5.59	4.92
3	3	3	Seniors Housing	4.02	4.61	4.30
4	4	4	Student Housing	3.07	4.43	3.74
5	5	5	Multi-Family Housing	3.00	4.4	3.68
6	6	6	Family Housing (3-4 bedrooms)	2.77	4.37	3.56
7	7	7	Elders Housing	2.60	4.13	3.35
8	8	8	Other	0.64	2	1.32
			Total Responses	105	107	212

2 in person surveys had no answer provided

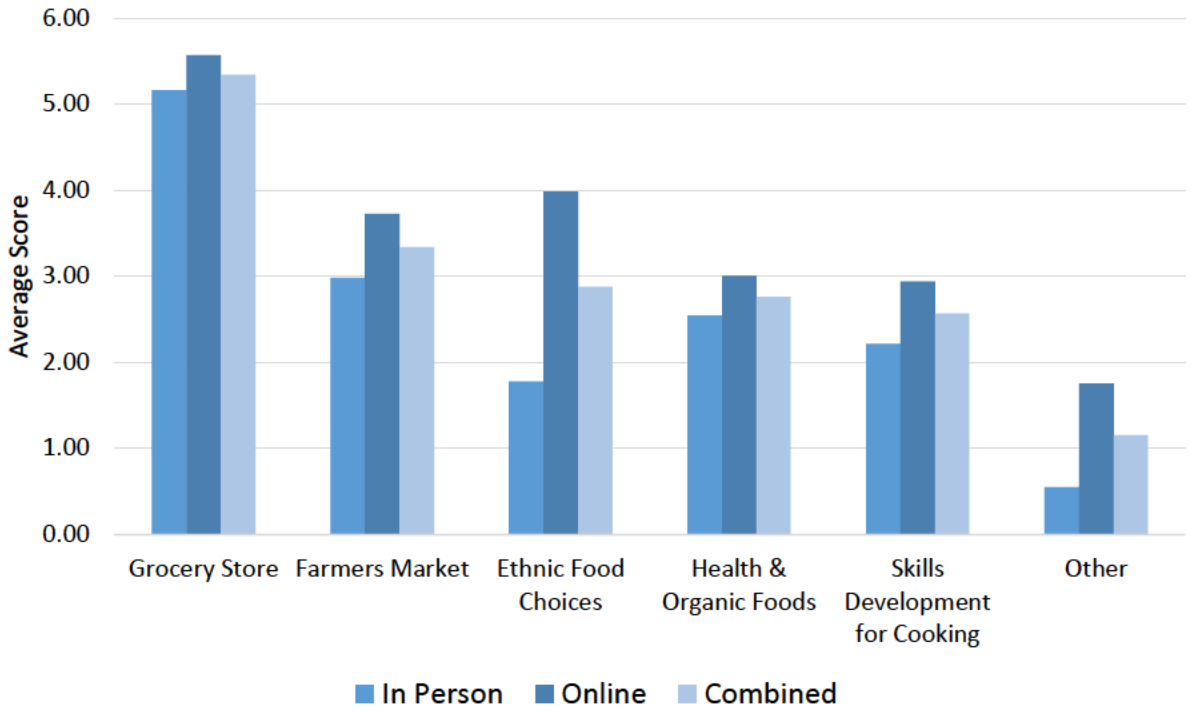
6b. If you ranked other, please specify.

In person Responses
included with rent geared income is housing homeless.
All
mobility challenged persons living with physical disabilities
really these are all of equal importance and necessity
everyone
People with disabilities
single males (studio apts)
Brothels
casual stays (Holiday)

Online
We need living spaces such as the Common apartments on Colony and Broadway. Whatever you build in this area you MUST commit to maintaining it on a regular basis. Otherwise, it will be just another neglected housing project!
Varied housing, including all of the above.
ust. condos, rental, affordable.... [redacted]
I rank affordable housing last because what developers call affordable is far from it. We need a range of housing from luxury to geared to income. Currently there is more expensive, luxury end & not enough for people who need rent at $1000or less
Consideration for physically disabled & newcomer communities.
We need living spaces such as the Common apartments on Colony and Broadway. Whatever you build in this area you MUST commit to maintaining it on a regular basis. Otherwise, it will be just another neglected housing project!
Varied housing, including all of the above
Social services, affordable groceries
[redacted]
mixed income is a must. condos, rental, affordable.... please do not create another Central Park Ghetto.
[redacted]
it didn't let me rank but elders housing is for sure number one; also short term housing
Indoor skatepark
I rank affordable housing last because what developers call affordable is far from it. We need a range of housing from luxury to geared to income. Currently there is more expensive, luxury end & not enough for people who need rent at $1000or less
Housing opportunities for the homeless population
Drop in/hang out space
Consideration for physically disabled & newcomer communities.

community and youth programming
Assisted living housing, such as you find in Dakota House
Accessible housing for people with disabilities. Access to services and ease of access to transit lines.

7a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Food Security**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	1	1	Grocery Store	5.16	5.57	5.34
2	2	2	Farmers Market	2.98	3.73	3.34
5	3	3	Ethnic Food Choices	1.78	3.99	2.88
3	4	4	Health & Organic Foods	2.54	3.01	2.76
4	5	5	Skills Development for Cooking	2.22	2.94	2.57
6	6	6	Other	0.55	1.76	1.16
			Total Responses	105	107	212

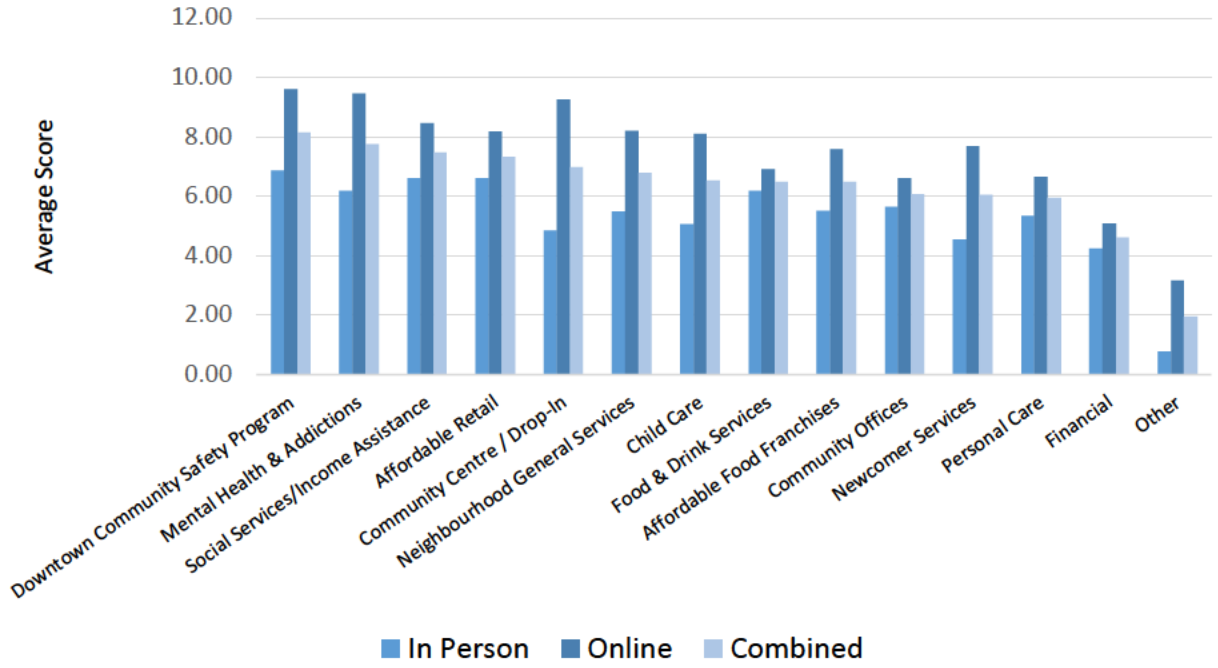
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7b. If you ranked other, please specify.

In person Responses
We need affordable access to fresh food. We do not need “health” “trending” food that the population of this area cannot afford. Have you been downtown? People cannot afford farmers market or organic food. We need affordability!
Red River Co-op rather than major chain supermarket(s).
Grocery store should be full service, including organic foods. I don't want to see a separate organic health foods store.
Food bank pickup location
Again, all of the above
a full serviced grocery store for the community, and a higher end deli / shop for the office workers and residents

Online Responses
Youth activity (skatepark)
We need affordable access to fresh food. We do not need “health” “trending” food that the population of this area cannot afford. Have you been downtown? People cannot afford farmers market or organic food. We need affordability!
Red River Co-op rather than major chain supermarket(s).
Please do not create fancy overpriced food places like hargrave market. You have a hand in creat [redacted] of colour.
meal centre and food bank
Locally produced and affordable food should be prioritized over "health and Organic" -- which is often expense. We do NOT need more "artisinal" foods (like Mottola) . We need good food that families can afford.
Grocery store should be full service, including organic foods. I don't want to see a separate organic health foods store.
Food bank pickup location
Food bank
Farmer’s market year round
[redacted]
Again, all of the above
Affordable food that is healthy
Affordable food
a full serviced grocery store for the community, and a higher end deli / shop for the office workers and residents

8a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Neighbourhood Services**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	1	1	Downtown Community Safety Program	6.87	9.60	8.16
4	3	2	Mental Health & Addictions	6.19	9.46	7.75
3	7	3	Social Services/Income Assistance	6.61	8.47	7.47
2	2	4	Affordable Retail	6.62	8.19	7.33
11	6	5	Community Centre / Drop-In	4.85	9.26	6.99
8	5	6	Neighbourhood General Services	5.50	8.20	6.79
10	10	7	Child Care	5.07	8.11	6.53
5	8	8	Food & Drink Services	6.19	6.91	6.49
7	4	9	Affordable Food Franchises	5.52	7.58	6.49
6	12	10	Community Offices	5.65	6.62	6.08
12	9	11	Newcomer Services	4.54	7.70	6.06
9	11	12	Personal Care	5.34	6.65	5.94
13	13	13	Financial	4.24	5.09	4.62
14	14	14	Other	0.78	3.17	1.96
			Total Responses	105	107	212

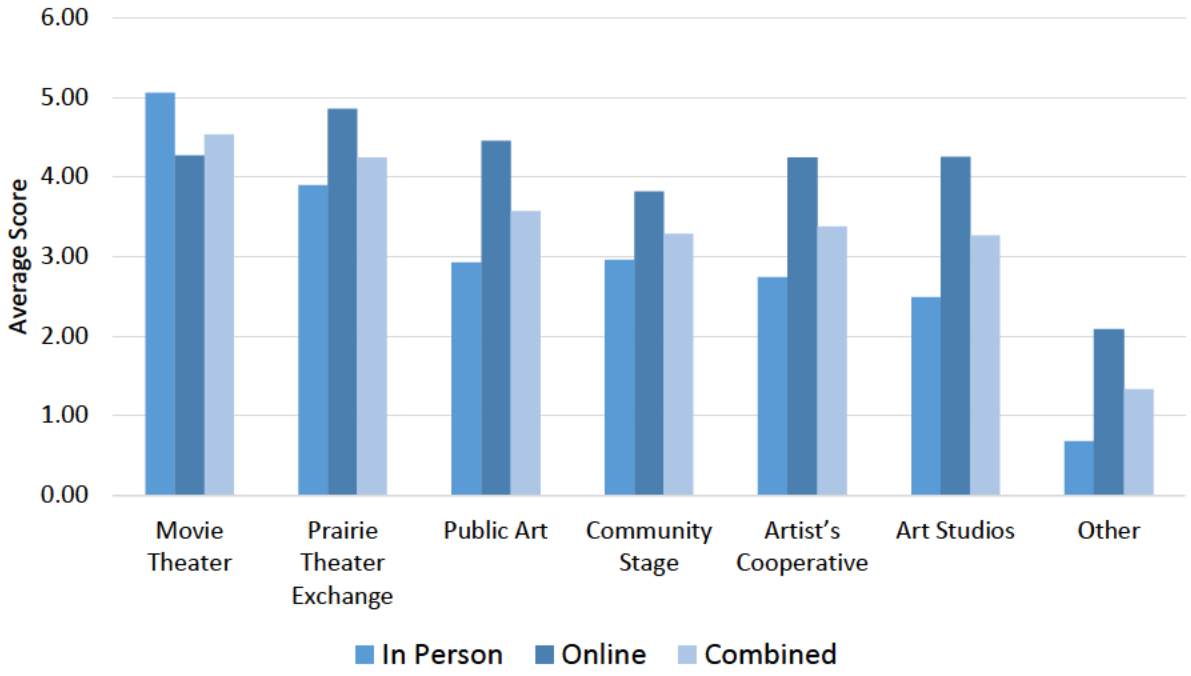
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8b. If you ranked other, please specify.

In person Responses
All
covered space like Edmonton Mall where we are today enjoying piano and space to visit.
Native American Food Grocery store
splash structure, playground, parks
Walkway (pass through)
amenities like shoe/clothing/hairdressing services

Online Responses
Youth programming (after school)
Ranked features: 1. DCSP, 2. Medical services/clinic, 3. Neighbourhood general services, 4. Child care, 5 affordable retail, 6. Entertainment such as Movie theatre, bowling,, etc. 7.social & new comer services, 8. senior services, 9. Personal care,,
Places for Indigenous ceremony
Most of the above should be included, with DCSP leading the pack
Indoor skatepark for community gathering and enjoyment
I have not been able to get your ranking thing to work beyond #1.
Free Art Space
Financial, but specifically geared to supporting those who are typically NOT well served by banks.
Do you think it's wise to put an addictions centre in the middle of an era struggling with drug abuse and dealers. We need the imax and cinema back. We lost towns 8. We need safe affordable entertainment. No areas with gambling or drinking.
community-based policing
Community health services
By all means. Set up some "affordable retail". Because what we really need is another dollar store to revitalize out city.
[redacted]
Art Programs
Affordable local food choices

9a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Culture and Arts**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	2	1	Movie Theater	5.06	4.27	4.54
2	1	2	Prairie Theater Exchange	3.90	4.86	4.25
4	3	3	Public Art	2.93	4.46	3.58
3	5	4	Community Stage	2.96	3.82	3.29
5	4	5	Artist's Cooperative	2.74	4.25	3.38
6	6	6	Art Studios	2.50	4.26	3.26
7	7	7	Other	0.69	2.09	1.33
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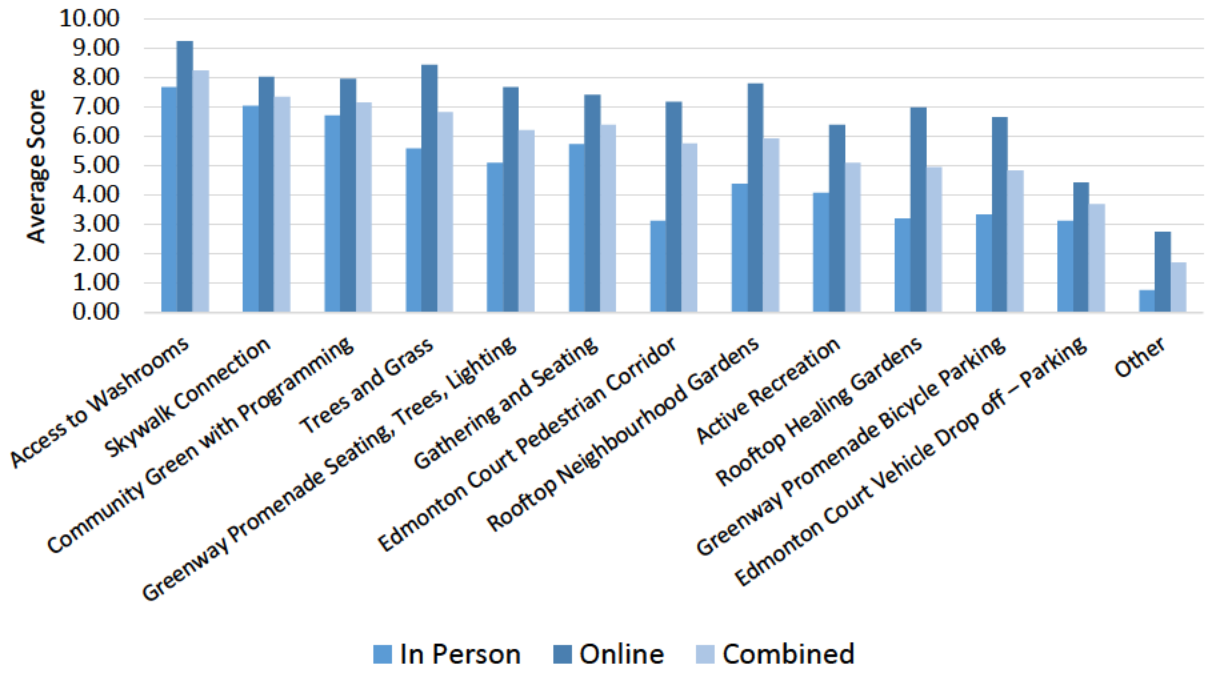
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9b. If you ranked other, please specify.

In person Responses
keep as is
Sci-fi architecture
All
[redacted]
theatre movies for children
Water park

Online Responses
Skatepark
Youth oriented programming. Graffiti art gallery?
Yeah. It's almost like we didn't already have these things, watch them fall apart and close
We need more art and entertain spaces. We do not need charity centres, food banks and outreach centres in the mall. Invest in those services on the sides, make portage place an affordable place to shop and hang out safely! Make us nice like St. vital
studio 393
Rankings: 1. Movie theatre, 2., PTE, 3. Artists Coop, 4. Public Art workshop, 5. Community stage
Public indoor skatepark! For skateboarding, roller skating, etc. Would make this a safe and enjoyable gathering spot for community members
Public art throughout the entire walkway
People who live in the inner city deserve art programs that are free of charge!
No more parks that are not programmed, owned and managed. [redacted] is a disaster.
Indoor and outdoor skatepark
Free recreation for youth
free art programming
Community Drop In
Community art drop ins that double as a resource centre
community and youth art programming
bookstore
Art Drop-In/Free Collaborative Community Art Space
Affordable dance classes

10a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Public Spaces and Greenways**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		In Person	Online	Combined
1	3	1	Access to Washrooms	7.68	9.25	8.25
2	1	2	Skywalk Connection	7.05	8.03	7.35
3	6	3	Community Green with Programming	6.72	7.96	7.16
5	2	4	Trees and Grass	5.59	8.44	6.83
6	5	5	Greenway Promenade Seating, Trees, Lighting	5.11	7.69	6.23
4	9	6	Gathering and Seating	5.73	7.41	6.41
11	11	7	Edmonton Court Pedestrian Corridor	3.12	7.17	5.77
7	4	8	Rooftop Neighbourhood Gardens	4.39	7.82	5.94
8	8	9	Active Recreation	4.10	6.39	5.10
10	7	10	Rooftop Healing Gardens	3.22	6.99	4.96
9	10	11	Greenway Promenade Bicycle Parking	3.35	6.65	4.86
12	12	12	Edmonton Court Vehicle Drop off – Parking	3.12	4.44	3.68
13	13	13	Other	0.78	2.75	1.71
			Total Responses	105	107	212

6 in person surveys had no answer provided

10b. If you ranked other, please specify.

In person Responses
[redacted]
rooftops are good if you want to keep people off the sidewalks in the summer, when they should be at ground level. Leave the rooftops to the private sector
Ranking: 1. community green space with seating, 2. trees & grass, 3. Washrooms, 4. Rooftop gardens, 5 free recreation centre with variety of activities and skill development 6. Skywalk connection 7. Solarium,
Need to address drinking and drug use in public spaces.

Online Responses
Response
[redacted]
Underground parking for Peg City Car Co-op.
Skatepark
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Ranking: 1. community green space with seating, 2. trees & grass, 3. Washrooms, 4. Rooftop gardens, 5 free recreation centre with variety of activities and skill development 6. Skywalk connection 7. Solarium,
Need to address drinking and drug use in public spaces.
Large flower pots, opening of Chios to the outdoor walkway
i'm not clear what all of these are, or how some of them are different from others (eg. what is the difference between a "healing" garden and a "neighbourhood" garden? This was difficult to rank overall
B-ball courts, skatepark, etc.
Any places should be public, decommodified space where there is no police and everyone is welcome
A park with lots of trees and plants! We live downtown and there are zero greenspace. It's hard. Central Park is just a soccer field with no trees. We need some nature space to walk in and relax in. Feeling trapped in concrete and sadness.

11. What else would you like us to know about Portage Place and/or your thoughts and vision for its future redevelopment?

In person Responses
affordable living/safer housing
unknown
safety and seating for everyone
Whatever happens, those of us who live downtown and close to the mall need to get through the mall from Ellice to Portage and back. Edmonton needs to be opened up - the mall needs to be more accessible and welcoming.
Cheap shopping malls and cheap and free food and drinks.
I think Portage Place should be made into an affordable living apartments, grocery stores, mental health services, things for elders, students, young children, access to elders and ceremonies.
Please, please, please renovate the bathrooms on the main floor!!! Regarding #8 Social Services/Income Assistance. They moved to Logan and Main - way too far to walk especially when I got into my 60's. The closest office for me was Main St. before it was on Rorie St. I'm not on social assistance anymore - old age. Government office is in Portage Place now.
Needs safety officers regular patrol.
A safe place for the community to come together and prosper.
More safer, more accessible more light in the evening.
More safe, more access, more security
YMCA 24/7 open
Extended hours for skywalk connection. 24 hours preferred.
Needs to be a welcoming, safe, affordable space.
In my opinion, one of the most important features that this campus should keep are the skywalks. (see map drawn on back) 430,420, 410 and 400 Webb place are connected with a wide hallway on a street level. Many seniors and disable people in electric wheelchairs live in these five building. In the winter, they keep active by walking to Winnipeg Square or Convention Center and back. It take half or one hour. They need skywalk system because winters here are long and cold. and if they had to go outside they would fall and break something. So having skywalk system all the way keeps our hospitals with less visits. We desperately need a grocery store, please keep Shoppers Drug Mart and we also need enhanced security.
More stores to shop at
Affordable living, mental health/addiction services. Access to ceremonies and elders.
Have more seating areas around.
Security
Recycling of bottles and cans where people can drop their materials in exchange for some coins. Focus on cleanliness.
To be safe
[redacted] More security should be
Reverse housing and Pan AM building locations.
Be more safety and community living and thriving retail industry.
We live in the area and as such we try to walk everywhere we go. Like the 15 minute concept so like to access the area year round. Ability to walk to Portage and Main or enjoy the Edmonton Courtyard or get basics and Dollar Store and walk to the dentist in City Place.
Change the downtown Aura/Spirit

Please keep center Edmonton Court - so important to see trees and skylight in the winter. Cheep parking would bring more people downtown. Keep Dollarama and Drug Store, Cherry Creek and food court. Please give more advertising. Safety is paramount to using Portage Place. Love piano in Edmonton Court.
That Portage Place will be welcome to all citizens. A place to be proud of an a "go to" place for visitors.
#2 and # 3 Walk through Portage Place to get to City place but not every day, but several times a week
[redacted]
Welcoming space for our homeless neighbours
A safe injection site.
Nothing I feel comfortable [redacted]
A daycare centre would be such an nice aspect. Throughout the new building no advertising boards. I would like EV stations for charging electric cars in the parkade either in P1 or P2. Peg City Car Coop cars in the parking underground with the development of Portage Place. Rooftop Garden is faboulous, trees, flowered greenery but you must hire fulltime gardeners and landscapers.
I hope it will be clean and more safe environment in the future.
I love Portage Place because my building is connected to it and its nice to go through walkways to get inside instead of going outside.
I was hoping for a state of the art safe harm reduction site downtown staffed with experienced counsellors and resource people included. Perhaps medical to serve. Downtown nation wide epidemic of drug addicted people providing a state of the art setting to give hope, guidance, programming toward housing and a productive drug free existence. Your medical facility could incorporate a small such facility with just a few possible also in-house drug rehab units for the minority of users that are ready and wanting to get drug free and into housing with appropriate work training and education. With guidance of professional councillors many of whom have taken this journey. Reduction site with professional and culturally appropriate councillor and staff and security can be housed successfully with other mentioned venues eg. separate exit for safe harm reduction site. Facility can be private and professional. Institutions can and should not longer sit on there hands over this. The loss of life, suffering frankly was of human potential among this with no contentment nor feeling of accomplishment or contribution to society is vast and unfortunately epidemic proportions. It is a new age on which unfortunately includes many people who have turned to street drugs and are addicted (North America wide) We can't as a nation NOT deal with the reality anymore. In addition to number 10. All facets of #10 as usual are great and important. Although I'm not too happy about all of Portage Place Mall being demolished for your new structure (waste of materials) I am happy that your designs include a lot of Green space areas as I am completely Environmentally Concerned. Too much Tree-chopping and lawn-spraying and chemicals goes on in this city as if the Environment were not in crisis with bird and pollinating insects dying off in large numbers I trust you will not be applying/relying on chemical pesticides or herbicide maintenance or at all. Instead using plants/shrubs and trees this natural ground covers. (There are several lawn and garden companies who advertise and sell the natural/non-chemical options for greenspaces and gardens) Also a little research on you part will have to be done (otherwise I will gag constantly all day every day) into servicing NON-GMO (non-genetically-modified) plants shrubs and trees for the gardens and greenspaces because I am low income so often without phone minutes

and I have not be able to search out nurseries that do have certified non-gmo plants shrubs and trees beyond finding some non GMO seed packets at Contain Tire (organic non-gmo pet grass) I think I am also non-gmo organic vegetable seeds) All sorts and Rona. May European and some Lantin American Countries have banned GMO foods and products. There is a lobby in Canada to at least label GMO foods and some states I believe require labelling. There have been several scientific studies showing the GMO foods cause disease and organ failure in people. So why would we pollute and harm our natural informant by providing plants shrubs and trees to birds bees, butterflies, etc. that are undoubtably harmful to them and changed on the genetic level. I have mad just a few inquiries. I don't think many of the local nurseries have twigged to this issue yet. You will have to talk to a faire number of supervisory or managerial people at the nurseries/farms etc. and possibly order from further a field online. We cannot plant and offer that the natural world harmful genetically altered food which also enter the wider countries and wild areas through flight and defecation of seeds, reproduction/offspring. IF this is not also affected inhibited.
Portage Place has been a go to for meet ups for years. I would hate to see that go.
Keeping it open is important and a place for people of all ages.
More retailers
This is not the downtown I moved into. Clean it up. Portage Place is a beautiful Mall and didn't need to become this.
Security needs to know where all the stores are.
More native security
Childrens gathering for positive role models. More native security, cultural teachings, pow-wows, drums, dancing, ribbon skirt making and elder teachings.
I would like to see more traditional training areas i.e.. Pow wow, public teepee's
definitely needs an update
Completion of plan within reasonable time.
#10 access to washrooms with attendants indoor trees and grass. Please do not sacrifice the beauty of Edmonton Court (atrium and greenery) for a vehicle drop off. It needs to be returned as a part of Portage Place history. This is "The Leaf" of downtown. Beautiful and accessible to all.
Safety top concern. Hours of access to retail and community programs, theater etc. Waterfalls - small
It's always seemed like a perfect greenhouse to me! Please don't use these surveys as a way to climate any of these ideas. This all needs to happen!!
I lived in Ottawa for many years and survived the Lansdowne Park "redevelopment" which was atrocious. Things I noticed.... Acres of cement with small holes for trees which all died for lack of water, need to plan how rain gets to the tips of the roots not just at the trunk. Planned for high-end boutique sops but ended up with PetSmart and other chain shops need to place how to attract and keep good shops. Focus was on earning money to support stadium not on meeting the needs of the community. What I love about your plan is it involves people who live here, involves indigenous people, recognize roles of the YMCA and U of W etc. Needs security, meet needs of homeless people. Please keep the public piano. I love it.
Community help and resources.
This project is extremely important to Winnipeg. Time is of the essence. Good Luck!! Thank you.
I am very impressed with the True North Campus vision. You have a real understanding of what is needed to serve the newcomers, indigenous and senior citizen communities who already live downtown.
Have underground parking. Need pharmacy with post office, Dollarama, walk in medical clinic, restaurants (not expensive), banking and mobile phone stores.
Feeling safe is #1. Security has to be visible but not abusive/intrusive. Washrooms must be clean.
Seating for elders

no matter what plan you come up with, if people do not feel safe, they will not come. Good luck with this.
Try to keep the drugs out.
Keep /add to skywalk links

Online
Portage place has a history, culture, and loyal base of people who have never given up on the future of this space! Please continue to include access to local community creative spaces such as Studio 393, and affordable amenities to help bring life back in to this space, and back in to down town! We all love Portage Place and cannot wait to see the beautiful metamorphosis of this space we all know and love! Thank you! Ps. It would be super cool if your team somehow managed to include a fountain in the new design of the building. It would be an interesting, nostalgic and lovely callback to what it once was.
Without addressing the disproportionate amount of social housing around central park, this wonderful project is doomed to [redacted] need help are saturated with the rest of life, everyone helping each other. Mandate social housing in 10% of all new multifamily builds in Mb. and we are on the way. Sell all social housing government MF projects to the private sector. Give the subsidies to the people in need, and let them choose where they want to live. Then watch our inner city and downtown take off.
Windows on the main floor that you can look into, that don't have the blinds drawn down. Give people on the sidewalk something to look at and help them feel safer by blending the indoors with the outdoors.
Whoever redevelops this, and however they do it, it will fail unless commensurate measures are taken to stop corporate capital flight to the suburbs.
This is a beautiful gathering place for low income people, BIPOC, and newcomers. Please do not tarnish this by creating a space for rich white people and pushing out the people who see portage place as something more than a mall. It's a gathering place for community and with True North already gentrifying parts of downtown I fear for the people who will be displaced by this corporation. Please if you have a heart, don't make another space for rich white people. They have enough land they've colonized.
There have been decades of consultation with community over Portage Place that cannot be discarded by any prospective developer. Truly affordable–Rent Geared to Income–housing is essential. Affordable groceries. Free space to gather. Real community health supports and resources instead of heavy-handed security solutions.
There has to be a way for the space for the complex to manage the risk of it being dominated or even overrun by the large numbers of homeless & impoverished people who are so visible (and underserved?) in the area.
The theatre in Portage Place is one of the best Winnipeg has ever had. I hope it can be incorporated in the plan. A movie theatre is a must regardless.
The Skywalk is extremely important to those of us who live attached to it, especially those of us with canes, walkers, wheelchairs, scooters etc. Please try to keep the skywalk open as much as possible during construction. A grocery store especially if it is local such as Food Fare would be great.
The skywalk connecting Portage Place to apartments and Y north of it and neighbourhood areas to the south and east of it is a critical thoroughfare and walking route for those living in the apartments. The skywalk needs to be accessible and safe daily through Portage Place for extended hours (eg. 6 am to midnight).
The medical centre is a good idea. But the main function should be the promotion of a sense of community which values diversity. Greenness is now crucial in all development.
The location should encourage active, healthy pursuits. Central Park is a great example of revitalization that includes soccer pitch, splash park, playground but can become dangerous when open alcohol, drugs and disorderly behaviour is tolerated. Other areas of downtown need to be monitored to make it safer and more pleasant for families, seniors and women.
The future of downtown Winnipeg depends on the people who already occupy the space having access to the services they need, especially healthcare, housing and addiction services. If the people who have been neglected by this city for so long are finally treated with respect and dignity, this will make downtown more welcoming to everyone. If you

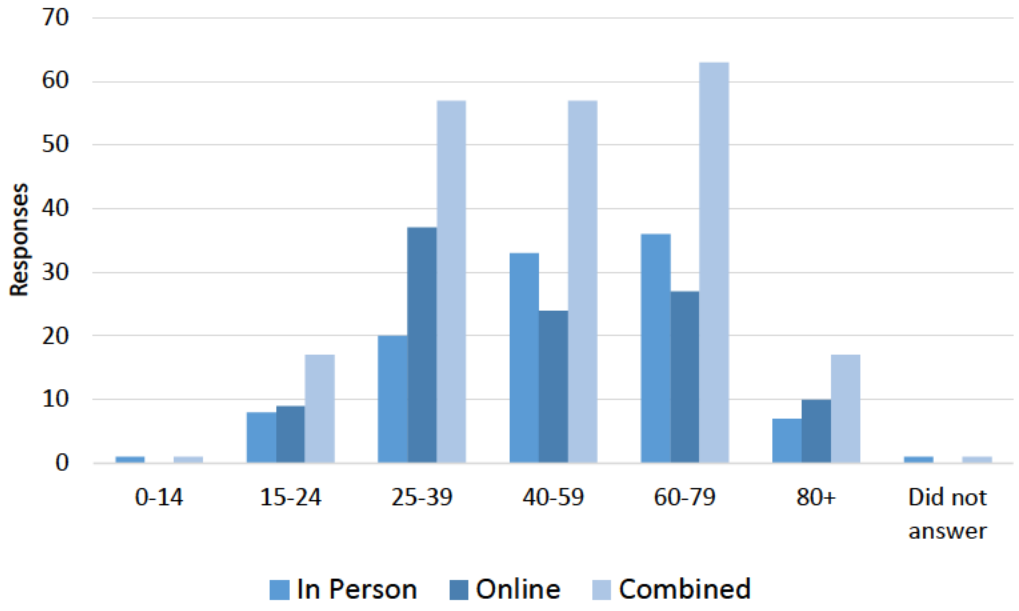
continue to only cater to the upper income brackets, the same problems we have today will continue, and the city will be worse for everyone.
The city need safe indoor skateparks for the youth and young adults - to get out of the cold and participate in community and physical activity
Thank you for allowing our feedback. I have lived in the place promednade since 2008. I have been a student during that time, now I work as a nurse. I have two children. I am raising my children here because we want to be near the WAG, MB museum, the exchange, the buses. This area needs more green space, more affordable grocery access & entertainment. Have you ever walked downtown? On ellice? Or Portage Ave? Have you seen the bus shelters? This place, if not designed wisely & then maintained properly, will quickly deteriorate. The people from the suburbs who come here for games look scared to death when they visit, I see them. They leave as fast as the games are over. They are not coming to our mall for shopping or entertainment. Serve those who live here. We have families to raise, feed, & entertain. People come from the north & visit here. They stay at quest inn. Make the mall a place where they can shop & gather. Have you ever come from a rural area to the city? It's fun!
Street level access along Portage Avenue to facilitate pedestrian traffic.
Skatepark
safety concerns-security plans
Regular music . When the present public piano is used in the court gathering area of Portage Place the atmosphere immediately changes .. singing, dancing. People have learned how to play piano because of its location. Beautiful thing !!!
Portage Place is dead. The stores are going and the only item left will be a food court. Until you have a genuine plane to get people off living on the streets your Portage Place project will fail. Your customers at this point are your customers, congratulations.
Portage place is a meeting place for the many people in the surrounding neighbourhoods of all nationalities. I've been going to Portage Place since I was a little girl with my mom and by myself when I was 13. I have always been a regular going to Portage Place and I now work in Portage Place and am proud to be a part of the community that is Portage Place. We need more services that help people. We need more helping hands, more supports, and more kind and caring services that will help the community. Right now Portage Place is a mall with retail services but people in the community are not wealthy enough to even shop at most of the stores. I would love to see the space turned into a community place that builds the community up and supports the community.
Please focus the redevelopment on community. The actual community. Not bankers and lawyers. The people that live in our city. We need more social services. We need public washrooms. We need theatre and art and culture. We do not need another financial building or a business focused environment. People need to feel welcome
Please consider those of us who live in the area and what we need - services, food security, medical clinics, green spaces. Thank you!
Plans for parking
Optimistic that with True North getting involved things will improve. True North is sufficiently present downtown to have developed a good sense of what is needed and have demonstrated a significant commitment to the downtown.
Make the downtown a real and safe neighbourhood. I do not feel safe walking downtown in daytime or night. Pharmacy. Grocery. Walk in health clinic. These would have to be in a central area because seniors would walk to them...only so much endurance and strength.
Main thing for me is affordable full size grocery store, skywalk connection and a movie theatre.
Love the indoor walkway, and easy access to events. We need to make it desirable for people to want to come downtown. Means cleaning up our act!
Keep/add skywalks. Better safety.
It's important to me that people who live around Portage Place have a place to go to visit with friends and relatives.
It's a central space that needs community healing and revitalization.

It needs to be a village/ community. Therefor small shops deli, specialty shops, coffee shop, community gathering space/quad, children's natural play structures (large rocks, hills, tunnels ,simple swings, etc)
It needs to be a community hub for the people who live downtown who are mainly seniors, university students, immigrants, indigenous people, homeless people and those suffering from mental issues. It needs to be a place that offers the supports and amenities that this population needs. It needs to have lots of green spaces and recreation areas where people of these diverse cultures can meet and get to know each other. If it has this neighbourhood environment people from the suburbs will have far less apprehensions and feel safer about visiting our neighbourhood.
IT NEEDS TO BE A CLASSY PLACE TO BE.
It is important to maintain accessible skywalk for people with mobility issues and seniors. The proposed open air section would not be safe (it would move the Air Canada park issues to inside the Portage Place area. Construction period will greatly impede the issues of seniors wanting to move ro 55+ life leases at Fred Douglas Chateau and Place. Ensuring safety and mental health/addiction services to enhance safety in public spaces will be important. I urge strong advance consultation with WPG police and Downtown Community Safety Services to discuss models in advance and strategies to keep downtown safe. This is an exciting endeavour - I love living downtown but feeling safety at bus shelters and walking (even in daytime hours) is restricting my activity and enjoyment.
Indigenous peoples need a cultural place , a place to just be .
Inclusive indoor skate park Affordable services only
If you want to get Winnipeg residents to visit Portage Place there must be a free parking time of 2 or 3 hours so people do not have to pay for parking. This could be done by giving by issuing a free Parking Pass for persons entering the parking in the area. When I lived in Cranbrook,BC, I was given a free parking pass when I turned 65 so I could park in the metered areas for free. This encouraged me to shop in the downtown area and not worry about getting a parking permit. It is my belief that parking and paying a high price for parking as well as the crime are the reasons residents are weary of visiting downtown Winnipeg.
I would like more fitness programming that meets the needs of people who live downtown. The downtown Y's schedule primarily aims to meet the needs of folks who work downtown.
I would highly encourage a partnership with the YMCA, a wonderful non-profit organization that provides support to the community in many ways - physical, mental, newcomer services, daycare etc. We need a Gym downtown... not a GoodLife or other chain, but a commitment to the community with an already established partner in a historic building
I want it to be a space for everyone. I miss it being public, I miss hanging out and seeing people, I miss it feeling lively.
I truly believe that building an indoor skatepark in the new development would create such a fantastic environment for youth and families to gather and have a safe space for fun. This would bring so many more people through the area and would in turn boost revenue to any surrounding businesses and create the feeling of a community space !
I think the approach of creating spaces and services for the people who are already in the area and visiting Portage Place, rather than trying to attract people outside the downtown, is a good one. I do wonder, given the safety concerns about Air Canada park adjacent to Portage Place, what the safety plans are for the proposed green spaces. It would be wonderful to have more green space in the area but only if most people feel comfortable using it.
I think it should be a community space
I think having downtown accessible drop in art centres is very important
I think developing youth programming will be key. Bringing young people back downtown will help create a more vibrant community. The older folks aren't going to suddenly start shopping at Portage Place again.

I really want to prioritize the creativity that our downtown relatives display - both artistically and musically. If we transformed portage place into a massive community arts hub that has everything from an artist co-op and studio spaces to public art workshops - we would see an increase in winnipeg era sense of pride in themselves and in our community.
I live at Fred Douglas. The neighbourhood needs Portage Place absolutely revitalized. We need folks living, working and recreating downtown. The grocery store is a must. With Hydro Place connected, a large daycare would revitalize the whole area. The Skywalk should have public art, rather than advertising billboards only about hockey. We are not just hockey! And we must have Indigenous Art and connections to the WAG and the Bay. And a belief that we are a hub connected to our beautiful library. Programming with more folks working at the library. My last plea is for trees and more trees around Portage Place with treed areas in strategic places. Landscaping and flower baskets everywhere! And Portage Place as a central hub for public transportation The water public art at millennium park is beautiful. Think water, food, art and lighting for all seasons at Portage Place Joe's Bison at Hydro Place can be matched with equally beautiful art across the street at entrances at Portage Place.
I like to see using green tech solar panels etc Greenery trees plants waterfalls stages ro showcase talent maybe music open mic etc. Community's rooms for children to do projects
I hope it will actually be for the people who live downtown, not just another overpriced expensive thing that is out of reach for most of us. We desperately need natural/green space, recreation space (the skate park is an awesome idea! I don't skateboard but I feel it's a perfect fit, somewhere safe and healthy for youth and adults to be active and be in community). Groceries!!! Affordable groceries. Art.
I have lived downtown for over 40 years, Portage Place used to be on my regular route. But I've rarely been into the building for the past few years, used to go to Staples, but now only stop into Shopper's if it's easier than going to the one at River and Osborne. I think it's most important to have a clean environment - when the Community Connections went into the Library it created a huge garbage problem. I don't know who should have been in charge of that, but inside and out it was totally neglected. I like the idea of a community centre plan, and thought the library space would be a big benefit. But it became a gathering of homeless, very vulnerable people, lots of erratic and dangerous acting out. Very sorry that plan was a fail. I don't see a lot that I would use, but am totally in favour the central development plan - hopefully it will help the situation that's downtown these days.
I have lived and worked downtown for over ten years and LOVE downtown. I hope to see this space redesigned to be an inclusive, safe, and inviting space for all Winnipegers to be proud of. I miss when I could take care of most of my shopping downtown without having to travel to another community and hope that retail and groceries will be considered in this design.
I am excited about the opening up of the barriers, but physical and social. I want to know how this redevelopment project will keep the people who live in this community in the forefront.
I am a resident in a seniors' building north of Portage Place and I use the skywalk system to get to my building to a variety of places downtown such as the library, the bank and the Canada Life Centre. In my view - the skywalk system must be preserved.
grocery store most important no children running without supervision restaurants and public seating spaces washrooms easy traffic around the area
[redacted]
Definitely a focus on providing services for people experiencing homelessness and others living downtown who require significant support,
Connecting Central Park through the proposed greenway corridor is an excellent idea. It is not good that north of Portage is cut off. We need to think of downtown as a neighbourhood, not only a commerce zone. The diversity of the neighbourhood should be seen as a strength. Is there a way True North (TN) can find out what the needs are of those who suffer addictions & poverty? These are our neighbours in downtown, not "those people". They need dignity. I strongly believe in Housing First & then solve the isues. TN needs to coordinate w/the Centre 2050 planning. Many of us don't drive. Transit &

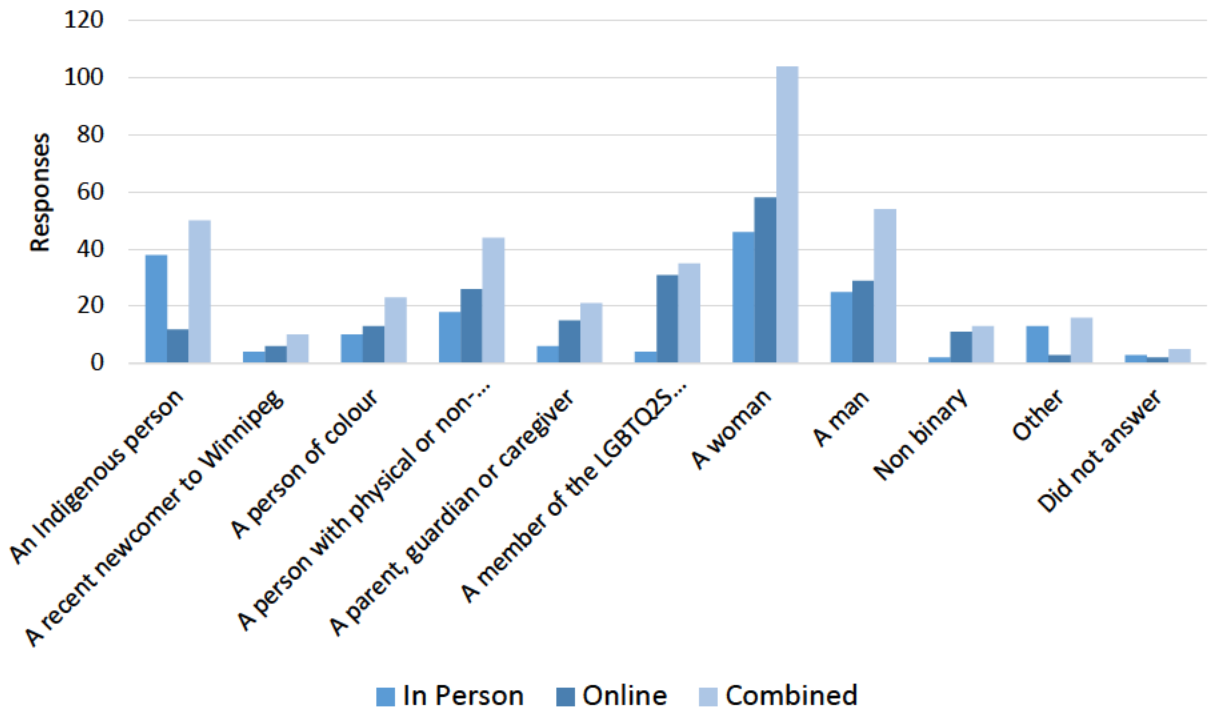
bikeways are important. Mixed use is so important for this area. I moved back to Winnipeg after being away since 1988. I chose to live in downtown because I would't need a car & due to the diversity of the neighbourhood, the closeness of the WAG, the Library, performing arts, the skywalk. I am disappointed in TN Square-- it is too rich for me & I retired from as professor w/a healthy pension.
Community focus please affordable
Cleaned up, much safer
Bring the youth and care for children. Vibrancy will come! Skatepark, b-ball, playground, childcare, etc.
Better grocery stores
As residents of Fred Douglas Place and regular users of the Skywalk, my husband and I are very concerned about this issue. A safe environment that is welcoming to all is crucial. Security guards should be reconsidered and likely based on models like the Bear Clan Patrol. The DCSP folks should be regulars. The whole thing must not appear like a fortress. Should be a street presence on Portage Avenue.
As a person living and working in the downtown area -- access to basic necessities such as groceries is a challenge as well as affordable housing. Creating a downtown where basic needs can be accessed is paramount. I also believe access to social services and programs to promote a better live and self-development to be essential such as, free art programming, mental health and addition services and welcoming collaborative spaces.
Any redevelopment must put the community and community needs first ahead of for profit ventures.
although we want to draw ppl downtown we want to SERVE those who currently inhabit the downtown and make safe gathering spaces. needs a community safety program like bear clan.NOT security or police
all of these are not only wonderful, but imperative ideas to make this redevelopment the best it can be. true north already backed out of a promise to provide affordable housing at the square yet kept the community money that was given to support that initiative, so it's easy to see how this is rather owed to our downtown already. it also makes it easy to see why so many distrust your organization. so please do not use these ranked surveys as reasoning or excuses to not do all of the things on this list.
Affordable housing for youth! More programs for youth!
A safe skywalk that is open at standardized times through the whole skywalk. A strong balance of safety with support. Service-based focus Something that engages all income levels. A microcosm of Winnipeg; low income-affluent. Portage Place should not compete with existing services but instead fill those needs so desperately needed, whether mixed housing, grocery store, etc.
A green mall would be something completely new!!
1.Support for those who are most vulnerable. Who frequent portage place presently.2. New canadians have already started up small shops in portage place and the promenade walkway. I would hate to see them priced out of business because of the increase in rent. 3. For those who are struggling with addictions and homelessness, housing has to have on site support services.4. Incentives for job training programs/businesses for a variety of groups: youth, newcomers and those who are seeking to reintegrate back into society. 5. A grocery store that is affordable to shop in(i am afraid if the social issues are not addressed formost, a grocery store will not last because of the shop lifting that goes on.) . I am encouraged by many of the plans that are being but forth!!

12. How old are you?



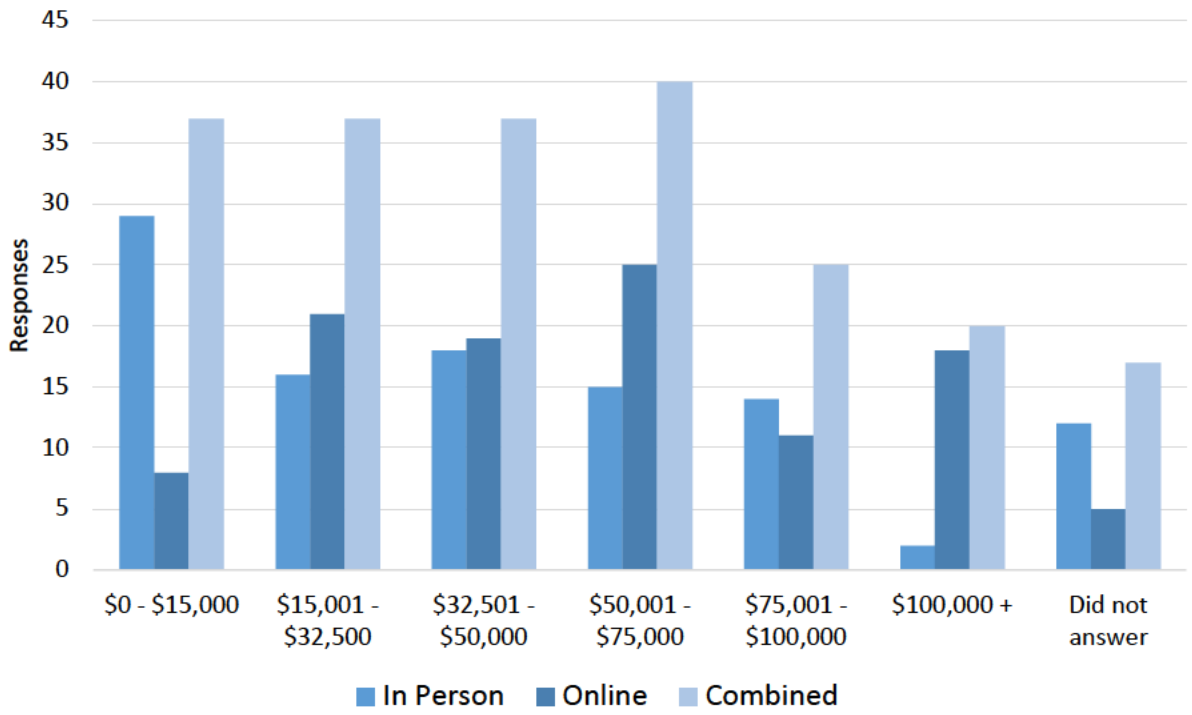
	In Person	Online	Combined
0-14	1	0	1
15-24	8	9	17
25-39	20	37	57
40-59	33	24	57
60-79	36	27	63
80+	7	10	17
Did not answer	1	0	1

13. Please self-identify as you feel comfortable.



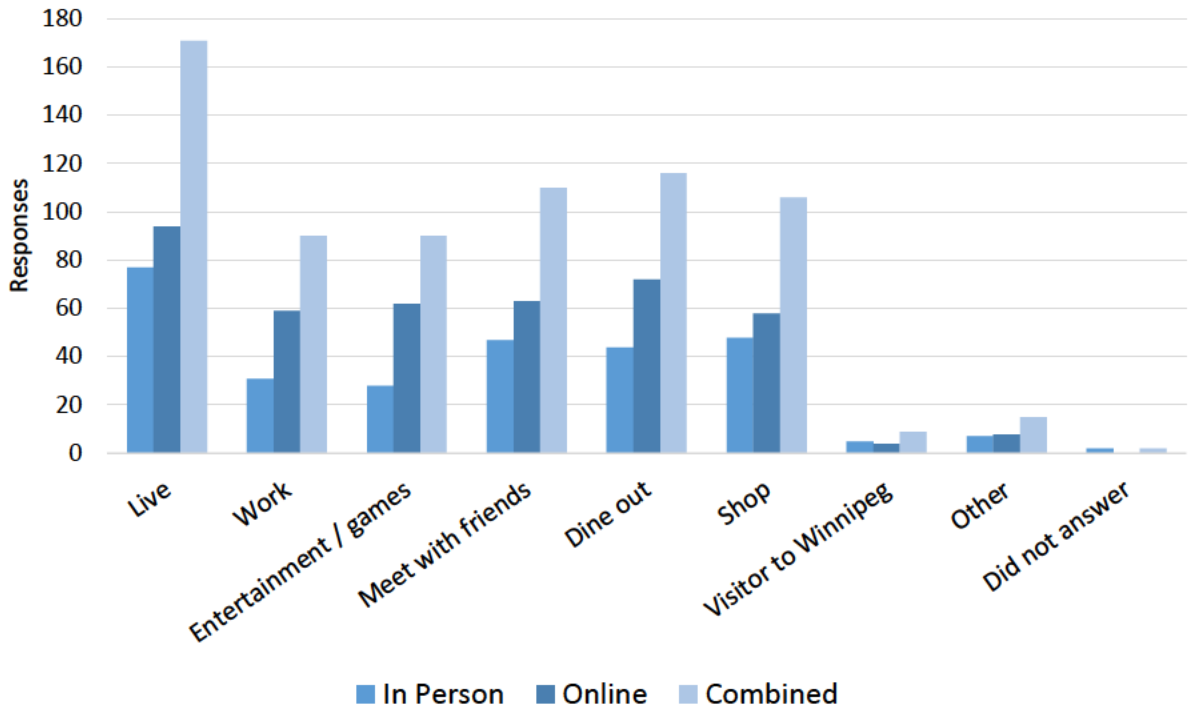
	In Person	Online	Combined
An Indigenous person	38	12	50
A recent newcomer to Winnipeg	4	6	10
A person of colour	10	13	23
A person with physical or non-visible disabilities	18	26	44
A parent, guardian or caregiver	6	15	21
A member of the LGBTQ2S community	4	31	35
A woman	46	58	104
A man	25	29	54
Non binary	2	11	13
Other	13	3	16
Did not answer	3	2	5

14. What is your household income?



	In Person	Online	Combined
$0 - $15,000	29	8	37
$15,001 - $32,500	16	21	37
$32,501 - $50,000	18	19	37
$50,001 - $75,000	15	25	40
$75,001 - $100,000	14	11	25
$100,000 +	2	18	20
Did not answer	12	5	17

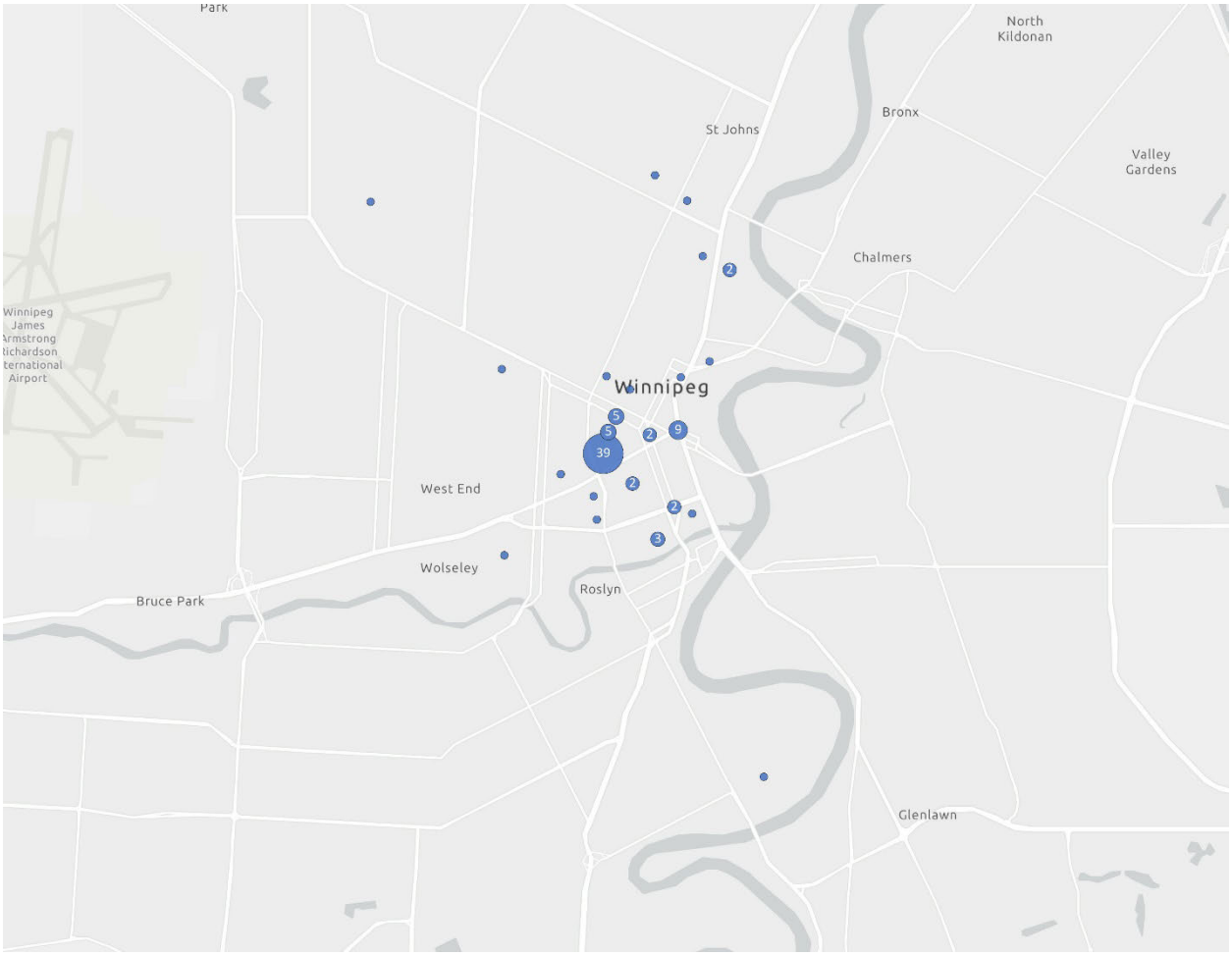
15. What brings you Downtown?



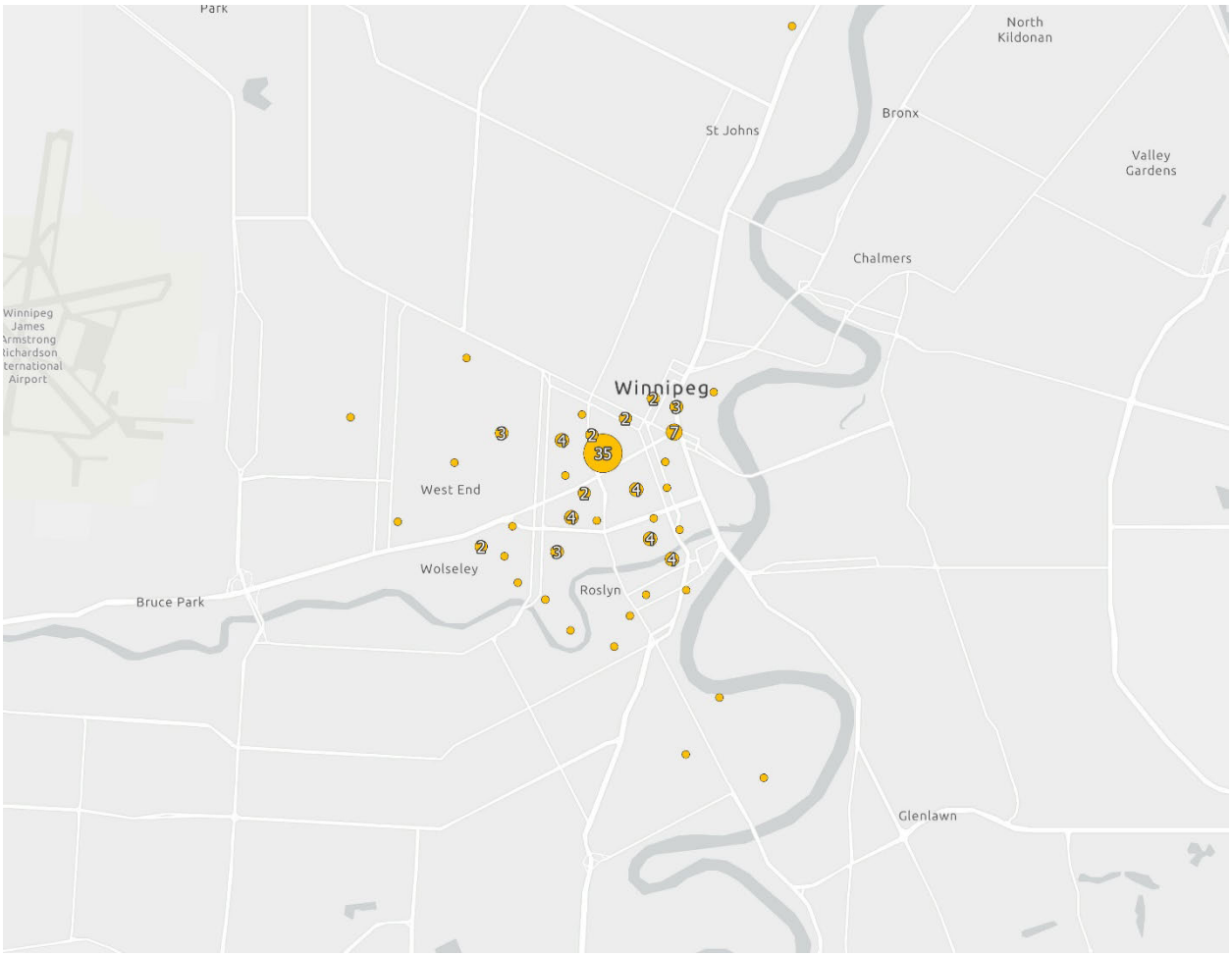
	In Person	Online	Combined
Live	77	94	171
Work	31	59	90
Entertainment / games	28	62	90
Meet with friends	47	63	110
Dine out	44	72	116
Shop	48	58	106
Visitor to Winnipeg	5	4	9
Other	7	8	15
Did not answer	2	0	2

16. What is your postal code?

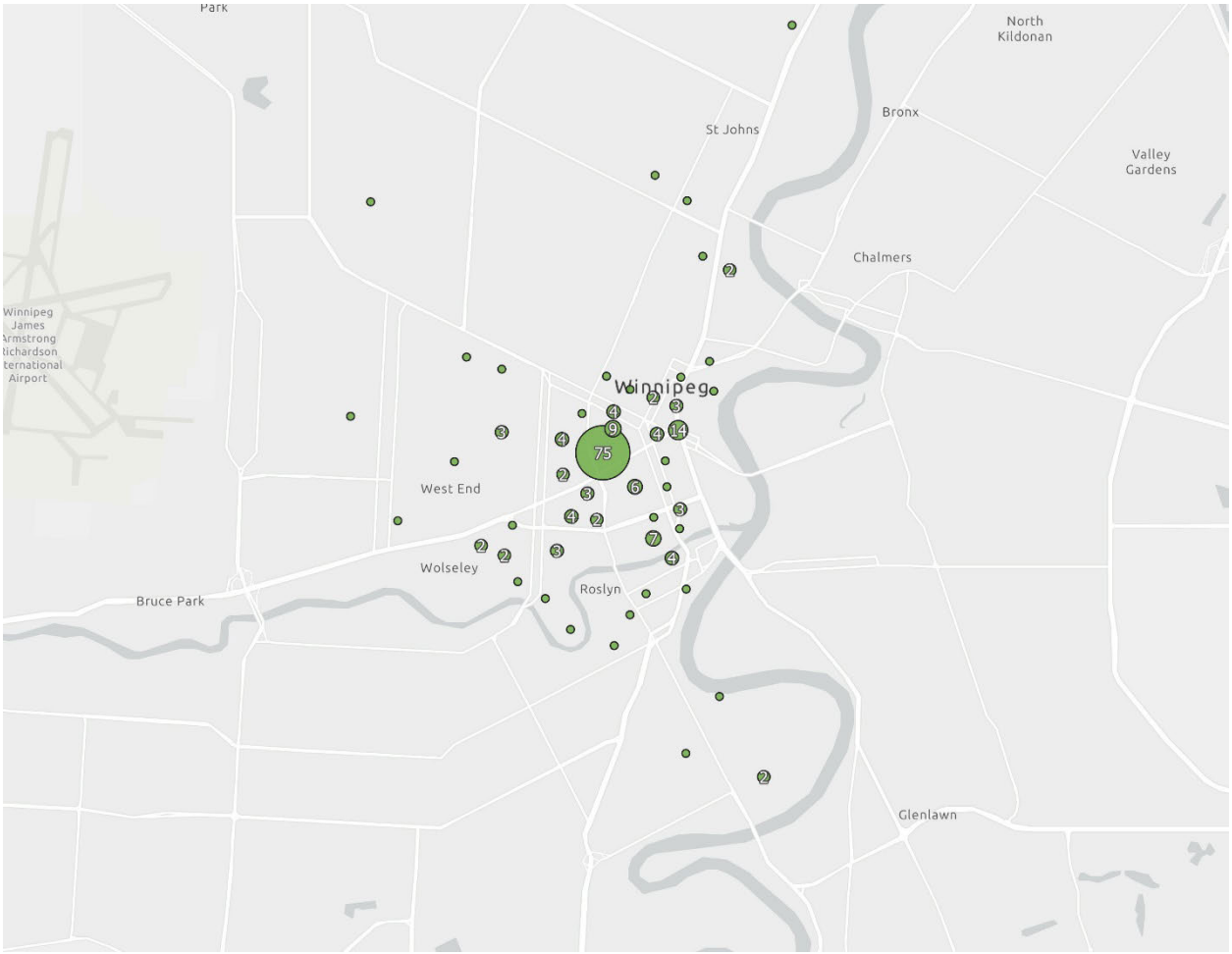
In person Responses



Online Responses



Combined Responses



APPENDIX F – TARGETED INTEREST GROUPS RESULTS (JULY 4 – JULY 21)

The following is a summary of survey responses collected from targeted interest groups between July 4, 2023 and July 21, 2023. The survey was designed to reach Portage Place users in order to compile the following information:

- Purpose of using Portage Place
- Time of year and time of day visitation
- Priorities for housing
- Priorities for food security
- Priorities for neighbourhood services
- Priorities for arts and culture
- Priorities for greenspace
- General comments
- Demographic questions (age, self-identification, household income)
- Purpose of visiting Downtown
- Location of residence (postal code)

Targeted Downtown Area Focus Groups include:

- Youth;
- Equity-serving organizations.

Survey Data Compilation and Aggregation Methodology

Survey results presented herein use clustered column charts with categories comparing youth, equity-serving organizations, and combined stakeholder responses.

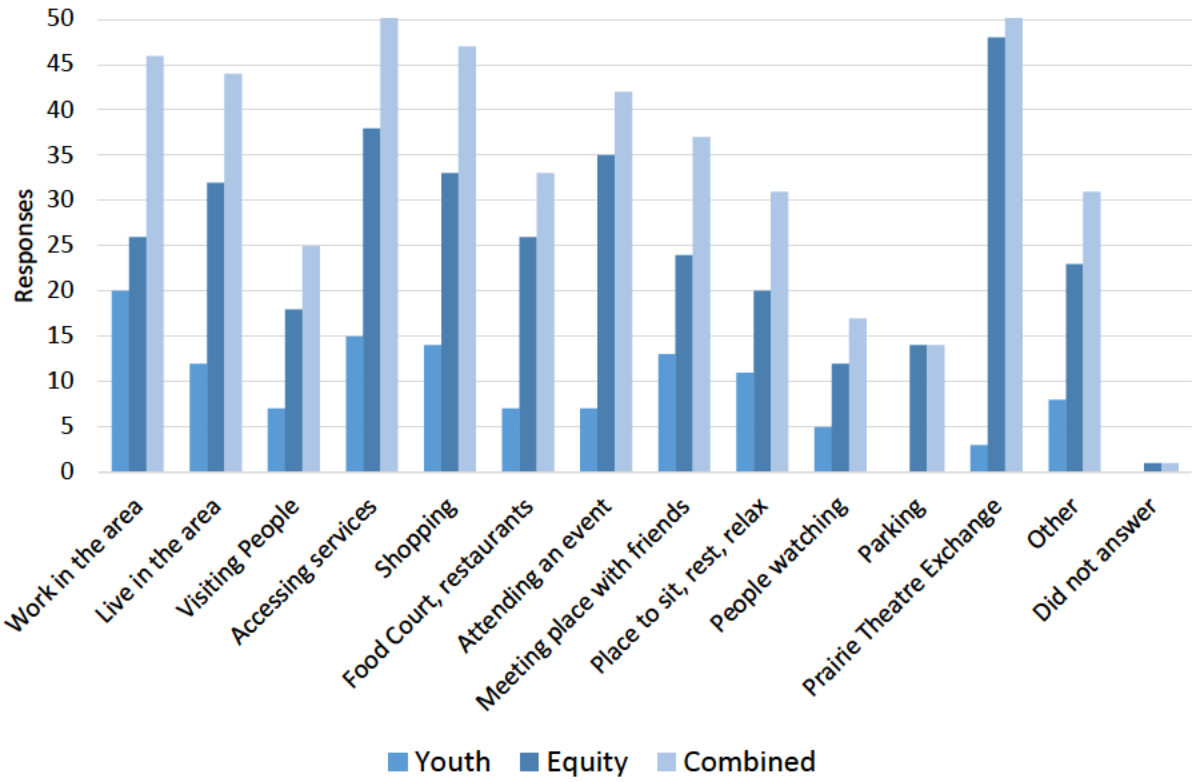
Ranking questions (questions 6-10) are intended to measure priorities for housing, food security, neighbourhood services, arts and culture, and greenspace. They are evaluated based on the average score that each choice was given. Scores are determined based on the number of options provided in the question.

For example, if there are 5 choices in the question, the choice at the top gets a score of 5, the choice after that a 4, etc. If you have a list with 7 choices, the one at the top gets a score of 7, and so forth.

Please note:

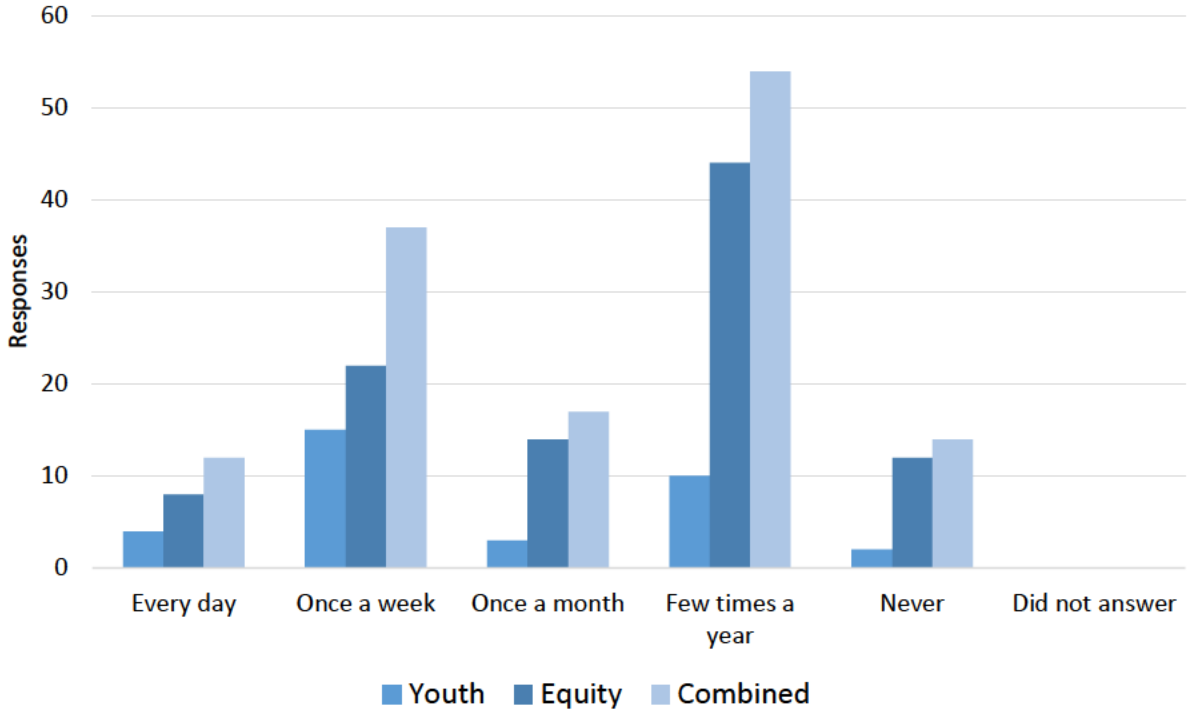
1. Since there were a number of people who skipped the ranking questions for the in person survey, in addition to those who ranked only a few items (as opposed to the online survey that required each choice to be ranked), the average score of the in person survey is significantly lower than the online score due to skipped and incomplete answers being given a default score of 0, therefore lowering the average score.
2. In order to effectively oversee the compilation of comments across the public engagement reports and to ensure their suitable redaction for public dissemination, all comments have been relocated to Appendix G – General Comments.

1. What brings you to Portage Place?



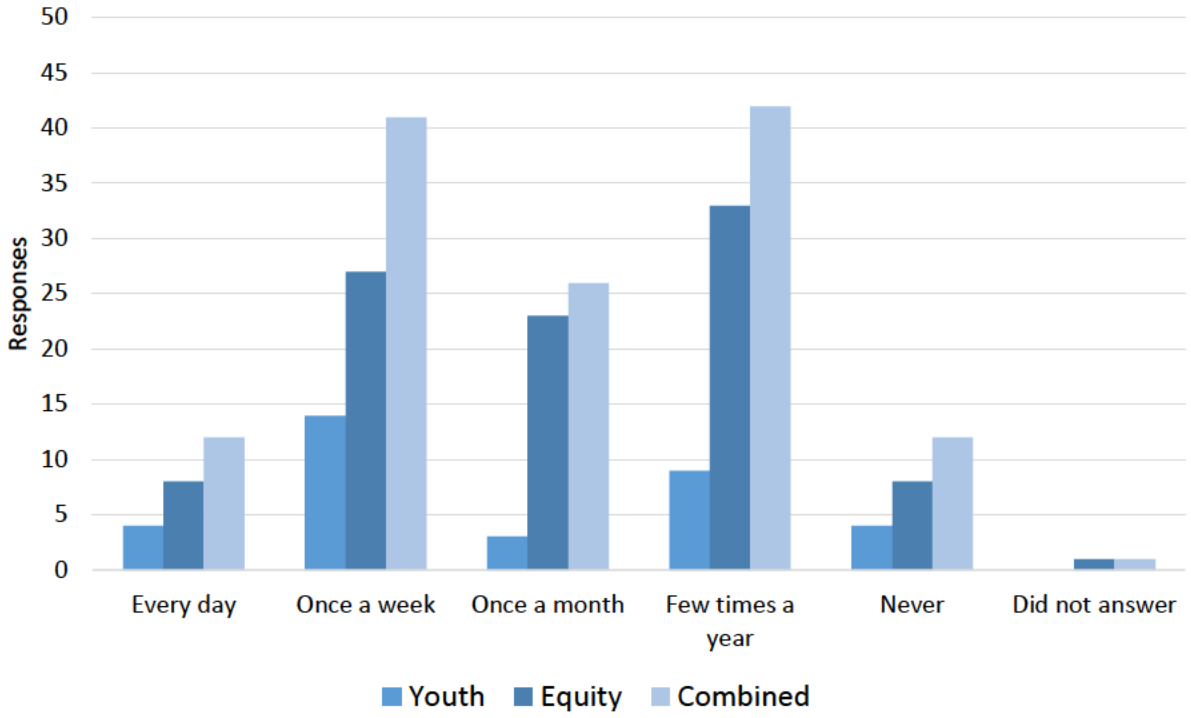
	Youth	Equity	Combined
Work in the area	20	26	46
Live in the area	12	32	44
Visiting People	7	18	25
Accessing services	15	38	53
Shopping	14	33	47
Food Court, restaurants	7	26	33
Attending an event	7	35	42
Meeting place with friends	13	24	37
Place to sit, rest, relax	11	20	31
People watching	5	12	17
Parking	0	14	14
Prairie Theatre Exchange	3	48	51
Other	8	23	31
Did not answer	0	1	1

2. How often do you come to Portage Place in **warm weather** seasons?



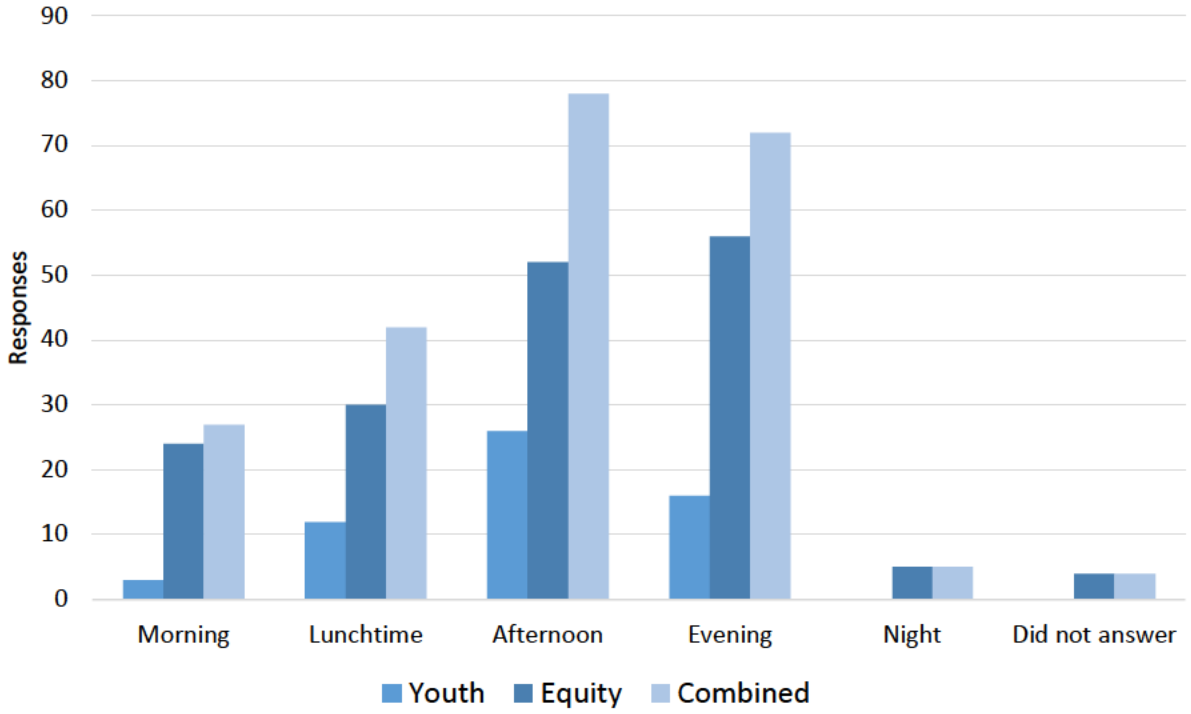
	Youth	Equity	Combined
Every day	4	8	12
Once a week	15	22	37
Once a month	3	14	17
Few times a year	10	44	54
Never	2	12	14
Did not answer	0	0	0

3. How often do you come to Portage Place in **cold weather** seasons?



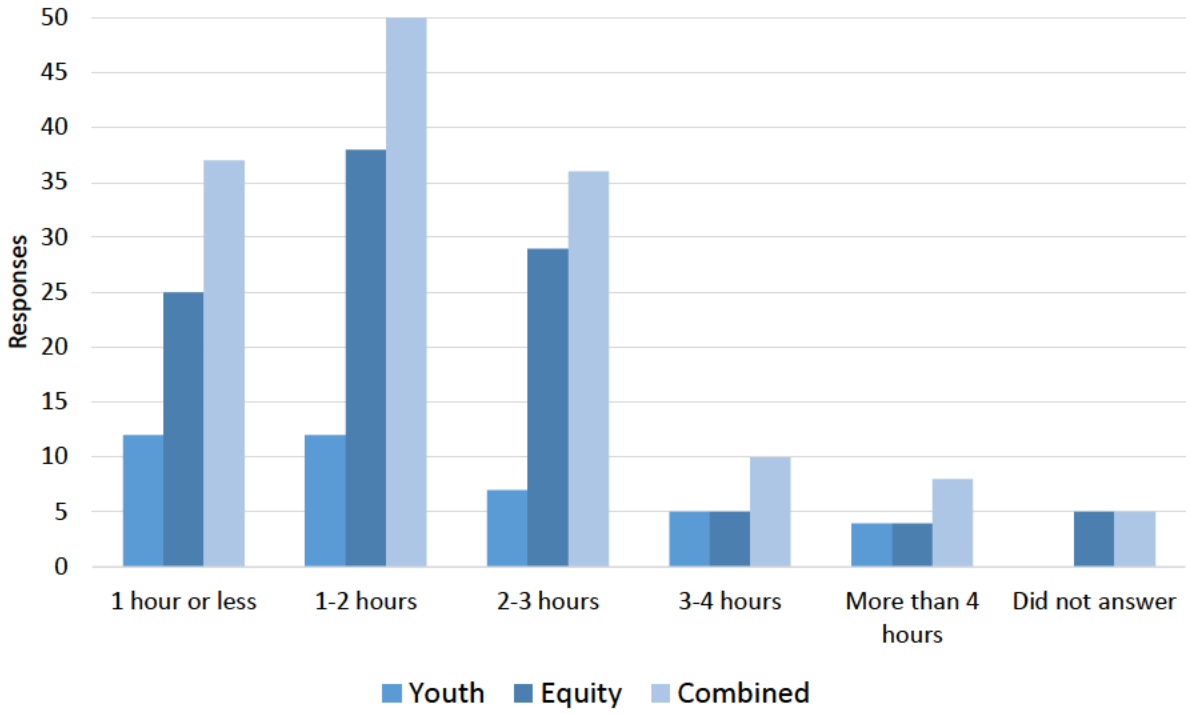
	In Person	Online	Combined
Every day	4	8	12
Once a week	14	27	41
Once a month	3	23	26
Few times a year	9	33	42
Never	4	8	12
Did not answer	0	1	1

4. What time do you usually come to Portage Place?



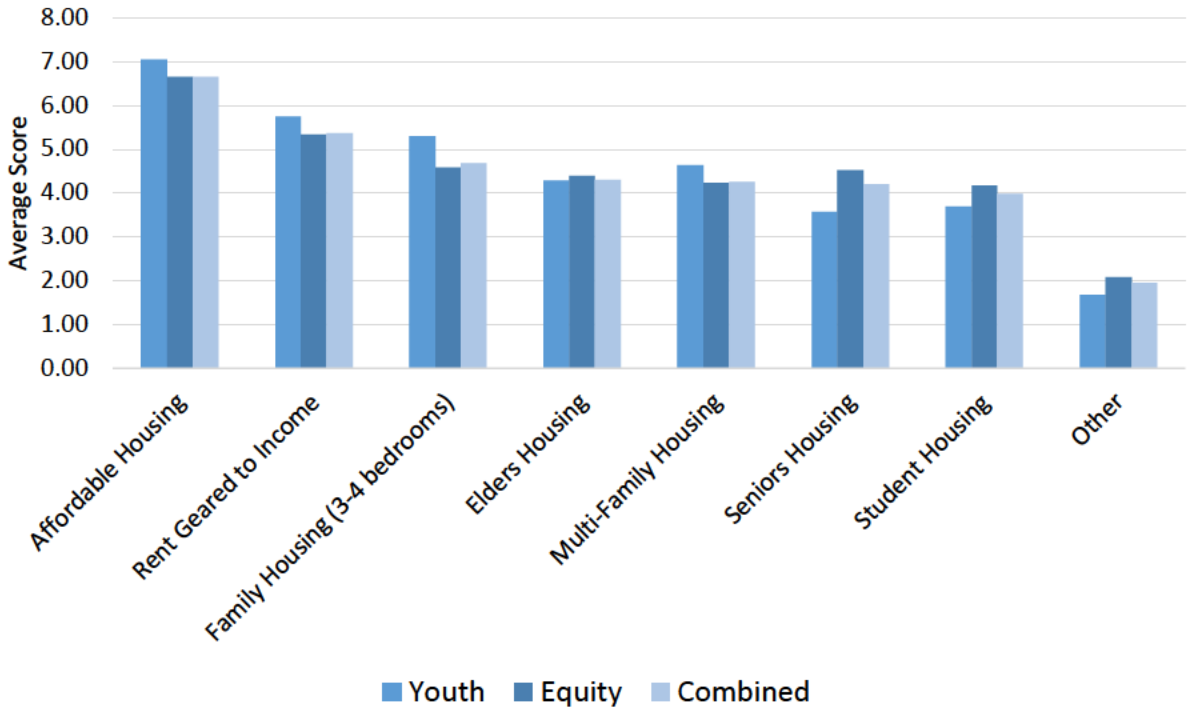
	Youth	Equity	Combined
Morning	3	24	27
Lunchtime	12	30	42
Afternoon	26	52	78
Evening	16	56	72
Night	0	5	5
Did not answer	0	4	4

5. How long do you stay?



	Youth	Equity	Combined
1 hour or less	12	25	37
1-2 hours	12	38	50
2-3 hours	7	29	36
3-4 hours	5	5	10
More than 4 hours	4	4	8
Did not answer	0	5	5

6a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Housing**.



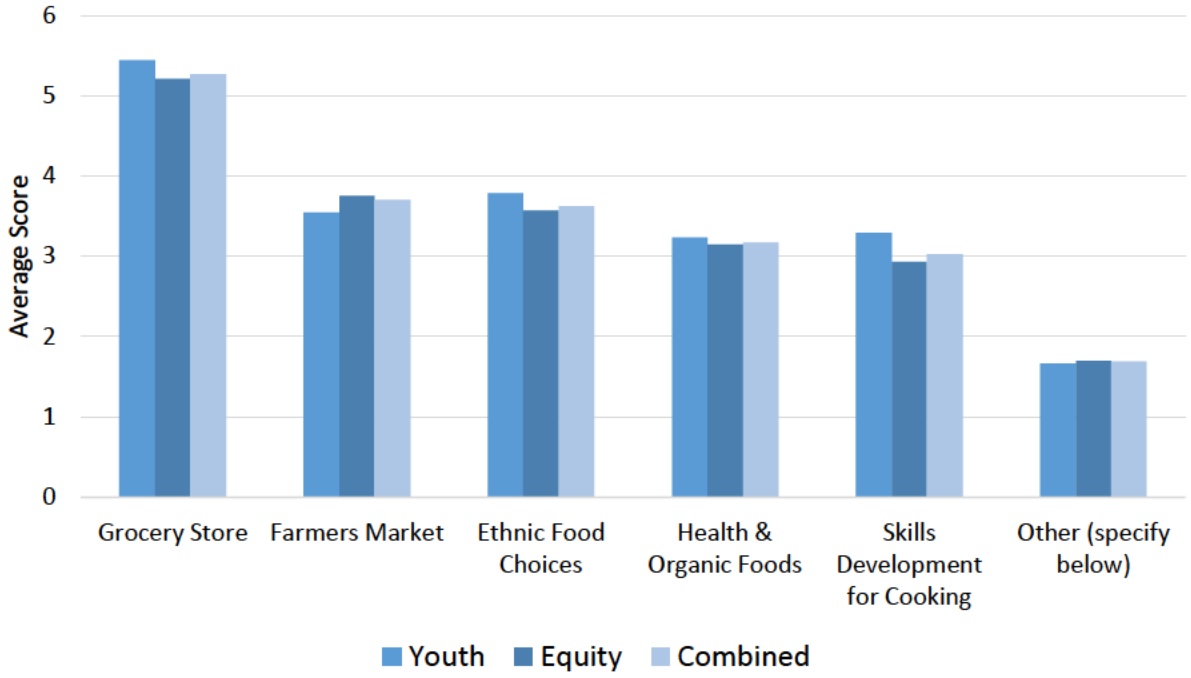
Rank	Rank	Rank		Youth	Equity	Combined
1	1	1	Affordable Housing	7.06	6.66	6.66
2	2	2	Rent Geared to Income	5.76	5.35	5.37
3	3	3	Family Housing (3-4 bedrooms)	5.30	4.58	4.69
5	5	4	Elders Housing	4.30	4.40	4.31
4	6	5	Multi-Family Housing	4.64	4.23	4.27
7	4	6	Seniors Housing	3.58	4.52	4.21
6	7	7	Student Housing	3.70	4.17	3.98
8	8	8	Other	1.67	2.09	1.95
			Total Responses	33	97	130

6b. If you ranked other, please specify.

Youth Responses
The new skatepark would provide a safe space for many members of the community

Equity Responses
Response
Youth art programming
Social services, affordable groceries
Site it's letting me move items
Rentals
[redacted]
it didn't let me rank but elders housing is for sure number one; also short term housing
Indoor skatepark
I'd love to be able to have short term accommodation for special events
I really have no opinion about this - whatever works and is needed!
Housing opportunities for the homeless population
Drop in/hang out space
community and youth programming
Community
accessible housing for persons with disabilities
Accessible housing for people with disabilities. Access to services and ease of access to transit lines.
A home for Studio 393

7a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Food Security**.



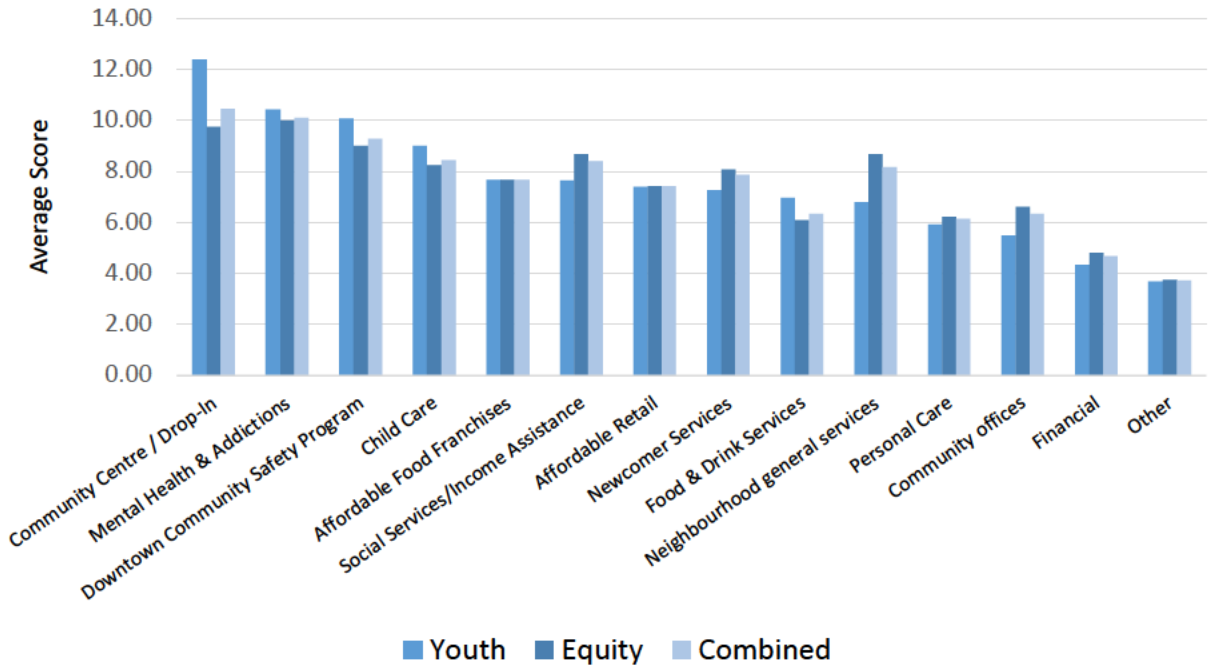
Rank	Rank	Rank		Youth	Equity	Combined
1	1	1	Grocery Store	5.45	5.22	5.28
3	2	2	Farmers Market	3.55	3.76	3.71
2	3	3	Ethnic Food Choices	3.79	3.58	3.63
5	4	4	Health & Organic Foods	3.24	3.15	3.18
4	5	5	Skills Development for Cooking	3.3	2.94	3.03
6	6	6	Other (specify below)	1.67	1.70	1.69
			Total Responses	33	97	130

7b. If you ranked other, please specify.

Youth Responses
Indigenous Foods
Art studio to learn from or place to explore, develop their talents or discover something new and creative
Affordable food choices
Affordable food

Equity Responses
Youth activity (skatepark)
There is already a farmer's market in the area.
supported employment, culturally safe gathering space, green space, children friendly
meal centre and food bank
Local craft beer store
Grocery stores - couldn't move circles on phone
Food bank
Community gardens, rooftop gardens
[redacted]
Again your click and drag isn't working
affordable, budget friendly
affordable healthy foods
Affordable food that is healthy
#1 Grocery 2 Ethnic Foods, 3 Health Foods 4 Skills development for cooking

8a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Neighbourhood Services**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		Youth	Equity	Combined
1	1	1	Community Centre / Drop-In	12.39	9.75	10.44
2	5	2	Mental Health & Addictions	10.42	9.99	10.10
6	2	4	Downtown Community Safety Program	10.06	9.00	9.28
3	9	5	Child Care	9.00	8.25	8.44
4	6	3	Affordable Food Franchises	7.67	7.68	7.67
12	4	8	Social Services/Income Assistance	7.64	8.67	8.40
8	3	7	Affordable Retail	7.39	7.42	7.41
10	10	9	Newcomer Services	7.27	8.08	7.87
5	8	6	Food & Drink Services	6.97	6.10	6.33
11	7	10	Neighbourhood general services	6.79	8.67	8.17
7	11	11	Personal Care	5.91	6.20	6.13
9	12	12	Community offices	5.48	6.62	6.33
13	13	13	Financial	4.33	4.82	4.69
14	14	14	Other	3.67	3.76	3.74
			Total Responses	33	93	126

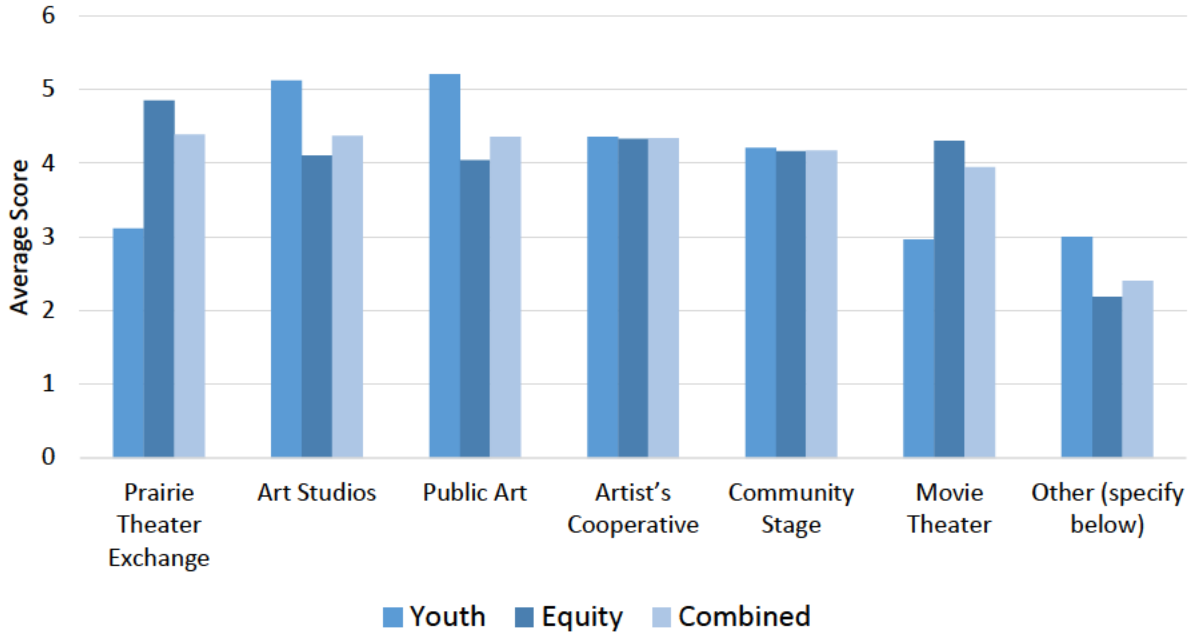
4 surveys from equity-serving organizations had no answer provided

8b. If you ranked other, please specify.

Youth Responses
Youth Hubs, such as Studio 393 and other youth serving community services with low barrier supports. This includes access to arts, culture, mental health services, and employment supports,
Recreation /Indoor Skatepark
Free Youth Recreation Options (art, dance, skateboarding)
Free Art Space

Equity Responses
youth, senior, family programming/services
Youth programming (after school)
Technology Hub
Places for Indigenous ceremony
Maybe instead of affordable food franchises, it could be affordable food services--preferably not franchises. Let's encourage local ownership with employment for local residents.
Keep Studio 393 alive and present in on the grounds
Indoor skatepark for community gathering and enjoyment
Indoor skateboard park
Indoor skate park
By all means. Set up some “affordable retail”. Because what we really need is another dollar store to revitalize out city.
Art Programs

9a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Culture and Arts**.



Rank	Rank	Rank		Youth	Equity	Combined
5	1	1	Prairie Theater Exchange	3.12	4.86	4.40
1	5	2	Art Studios	5.12	4.11	4.38
2	6	3	Public Art	5.21	4.04	4.35
3	2	4	Artist's Cooperative	4.36	4.33	4.34
4	4	5	Community Stage	4.21	4.16	4.18
7	3	6	Movie Theater	2.97	4.31	3.95
6	7	7	Other (specify below)	3	2.19	2.40
			Total Responses	33	91	124

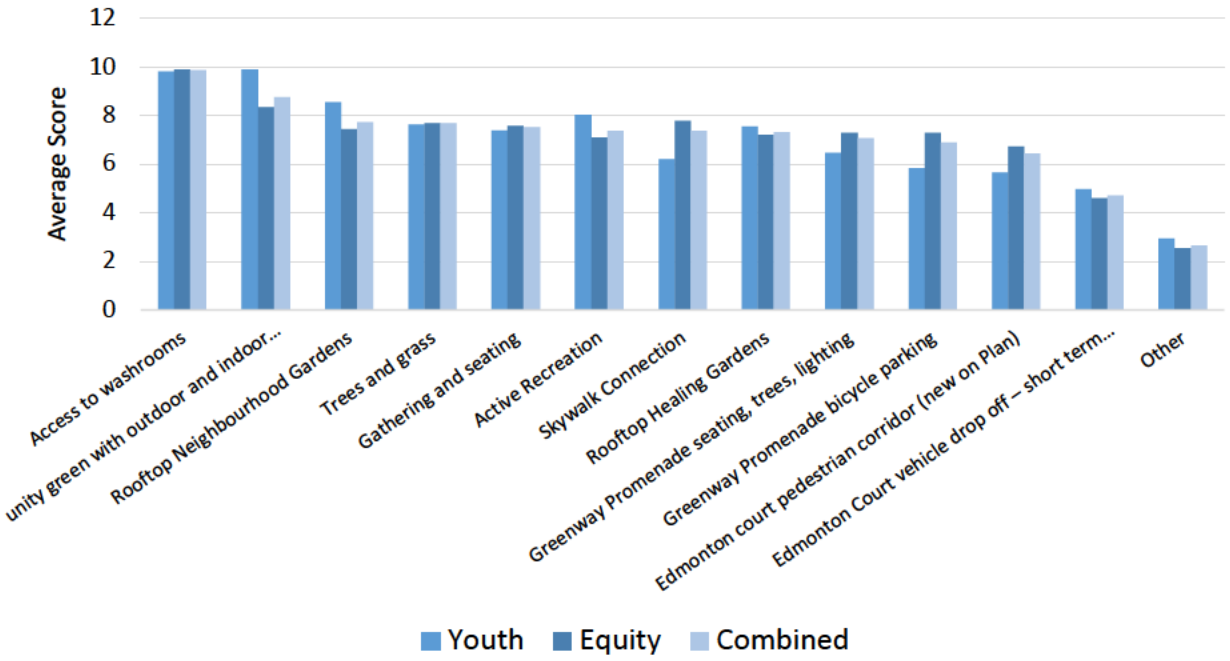
6 surveys from equity-serving organizations had no answer provided

9b. If you ranked other, please specify.

Youth Responses
The new skatepark would provide a space for artists to contribute to the community in a meaningful way
Studio 393 and Graffiti Art Programming
Skatepark
Indoor skatepark
Free arts drop-in programs for youth, where they can build their capacity and have opportunities to utilize other arts & culture features on this list, such as access to the community stage for performances & mentorship through artist cooperatives
free art programming
Free art and recreation activities for children and youth
Dance Studio!
Community art drop ins that double as a resource centre
Art Drop-In/Free Collaborative Community Art Space
Affordable dance classes

Equity Responses
Response
Skatepark
Skate park
Skate park
Skate park
Youth oriented programming. Graffiti art gallery?
Yeah. It's almost like we didn't already have these things, watch them fall apart and close
Studio 393 community arts programming
studio 393
Recording Studio
Public indoor skatepark! For skateboarding, roller skating, etc. Would make this a safe and enjoyable gathering spot for community members
Physical activity spaces -- gym, pool, walking track
Not working
Indoor skateboard park
Indoor and outdoor skatepark
Free recreation for youth
Dance studios
Community Drop In
community and youth art programming
Art studios like... studio 393
Art programs for kids and youth
art programming for community

10a. Community stakeholders have suggested that the following features be considered for the redesign of True North Campus for **Public Spaces and Greenways**.



18 in person surveys had no answer provided

Rank	Rank	Rank		Youth	Equity	Combined
2	1	1	Access to washrooms	9.82	9.90	9.88
1	2	2	Community green with outdoor and indoor programing	9.91	8.34	8.76
3	6	3	Rooftop Neighbourhood Gardens	8.55	7.45	7.75
5	4	4	Trees and grass	7.64	7.70	7.68
7	5	5	Gathering and seating	7.39	7.58	7.53
4	10	6	Active Recreation	8.03	7.11	7.36
9	3	7	Skywalk Connection	6.21	7.79	7.36
6	9	8	Rooftop Healing Gardens	7.55	7.22	7.31
8	7	9	Greenway Promenade seating, trees, lighting	6.48	7.29	7.07
10	8	10	Greenway Promenade bicycle parking	5.85	7.29	6.90
11	11	11	Edmonton court pedestrian corridor	5.67	6.73	6.44
12	12	12	Edmonton Court vehicle drop off	4.97	4.61	4.70
13	13	13	Other	2.94	2.54	2.65

10b. If you ranked other, please specify.

Youth Responses
Skatepark
A park with lots of trees and plants! We live downtown and there are zero greenspace. It's hard. Central Park is just a soccer field with no trees. We need some nature space to walk in and relax in. Feeling trapped in concrete and sadness.

Equity Responses
Response
Underground parking for Peg City Car Co-op.
Sorry but this isn't working
Skateboard friendly public plaza space
Skate p park
Functional Water Feature
Bike valet in summer to encourage people to bike downtown. Not safe to leave bike downtown currently
B-ball courts, skatepark, etc.
Any places should be public, decommodified space where there is no police and everyone is welcome

11. What else would you like us to know about Portage Place and/or your thoughts and vision for its future redevelopment?

Youth Responses
Portage place has a history, culture, and loyal base of people who have never given up on the future of this space! Please continue to include access to local community creative spaces such as Studio 393, and affordable amenities to help bring life back in to this space, and back in to down town! We all love Portage Place and cannot wait to see the beautiful metamorphosis of this space we all know and love! Thank you! Ps. It would be super cool if your team somehow managed to include a fountain in the new design of the building. It would be an interesting, nostalgic and lovely callback to what it once was.
There is a need for healthy community recreation that is safe, accessible, enjoyable, and excellent! If you are interested in developing this sort of programming in the arts, please consider partnering with a non-profit organization called Genesis Arts Community. The group of spirited females behind this operation have a heart for the city and as a team, represent a history of over 20 years of providing accessible arts education and training in our city.
The skate park is a great idea and will bring multiple communities and events to the area with great opportunities for youth programming and a safe place for the winter season for people who love to roll (which there is alot of)
The Development of True North Campus provides an opportunity to make a huge impact on the Downtown community, and people that use Portage Place daily. Being one of those here everyday, from experience, I know the community is grown through Portage Place's community and youth programming sites. Studio 393 is a great example of this. Studio 393 is a space that provides programs and resources to help grow the community and youth within the Downtown area through their arts and wrap around supports. Spaces like Studio 393, Art Beat, and other arts and resources through Portage Place bring in consistent members that are interested in and dedicated to the growth and progress of the Portage Place area, and the Downtown community. Providing spaces that provide arts and community resources, would go the longest in providing the Downtown and North End communities of Winnipeg, what they truly need, through creativity, wellbeing, and togetherness.
Studio 393 is an integral part of the Downtown community. I'd like to see more community arts programs run by Graffiti Arts Programming and their instructors, maybe public or even outdoor spaces for community workshops and skills development for at-risk youth.
Skatepark staying is important
Should proritize community centers (like Studio 393) in your future plans. The studio is a place where the downtown community can learn tangible life skills. The studio cannot be replaced with anything else - it is one of a kind and has had an lasting impact on its surrounding community.
Portage place is a meeting place for the many people in the surrounding neighbourhoods of all nationalities. I've been going to Portage Place since I was a little girl with my mom and by myself when I was 13. I have always been a regular going to Portage Place and I now work in Portage Place and am proud to be a part of the community that is Portage Place. We need more services that help people. We need more helping hands, more supports, and more kind and caring services that will help the community. Right now Portage Place is a mall with retail services but people in the community are not wealthy enough to even shop at most of the stores. I would love to see the space turned into a community place that builds the community up and supports the community.
Please consider allowing the skatepark to flourish and you will see how big of a positive impact it will have on the community and the all around feeling of downtown.
More resources for the homeless in the area. Those working in ensuring safety downtown to have training in mental health and addiction.
Make it winter friendly!!! Winnipeg is too cold
Make it a space where people feel safe from getting mugged or harassed.
It's a central space that needs community healing and revitalization.

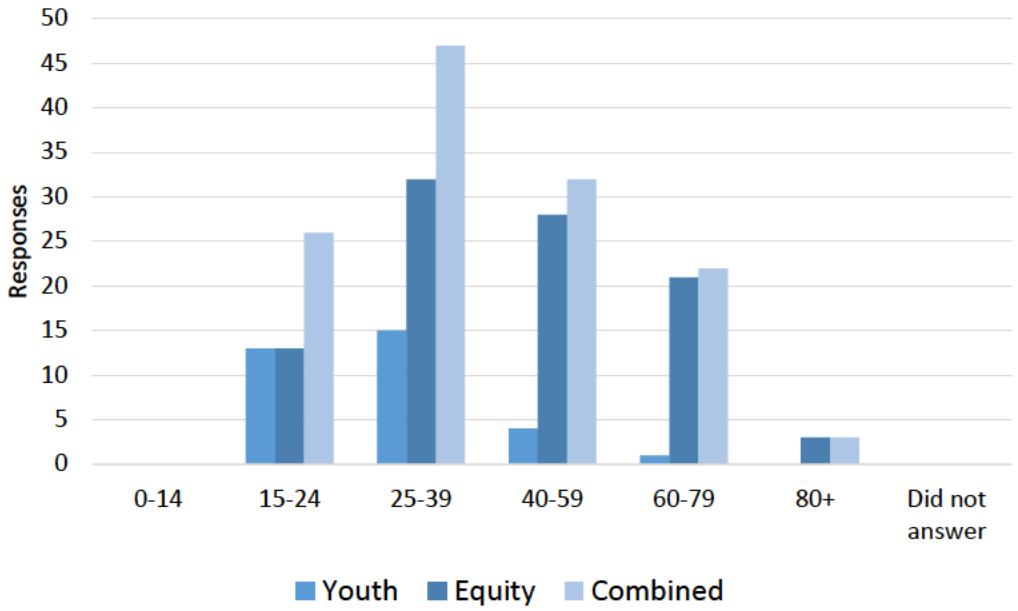
It would be cool to have a skatepark!
It should have a skatepark
Indigenous peoples need a cultural place , a place to just be .
I'm really excited about an accessible skatepark.
I would like to see designated spaces for youth, that are low-barrier and accessible. These currently exist in the form of Studio 393 and Pitikwé. Similarly, Art Beat provides an accessible space and free programming for community members, although not youth specific. As plans are being generated for a new True North Campus, I would like to see spaces such as this continue to be included, and in a more intentional way. I would also like to see recognition that Portage Place currently functions as an important meeting space for many people living in Winnipeg's central park neighbourhood. In a manner of speaking, it is already a community centre. In order for new plans to be successful and properly the needs of community, the voices of those currently using the space should be heard and considered in greater detail.
I would like see an emphasis on the needs of the people living in and frequenting the area already. Portage Place is a central gathering place for many people even though in it's current state it lacks many of the necessary resources and recreational options listed in the new vision for the mall that these people could benefit from, they still utilize it as a space to warm up, grab a snack, meet with peers, participate in art programs with Studio 393 and Art Beat, etc. The choices made in redeveloping the mall need to take into consideration youth needs, elder needs, the mission's of community based organizations, culturally appropriate resources that are Indigenous led. Access needs should also be a top priority.
I think having downtown accessible drop in art centres is very important
I really want to prioritize the creativity that our downtown relatives display - both artistically and musically. If we transformed portage place into a massive community arts hub that has everything from an artist co-op and studio spaces to public art workshops - we would see an increase in winnipeg era sense of pride in themselves and in our community.
I hope it will actually be for the people who live downtown, not just another overpriced expensive thing that is out of reach for most of us. We desperately need natural/green space, recreation space (the skate park is an awesome idea! I don't skateboard but I feel it's a perfect fit, somewhere safe and healthy for youth and adults to be active and be in community). Groceries!!! Affordable groceries. Art.
Hoping to see seasonal event and local artist's performances. Good for the community and good opportunity for the artists to showcase their talents
dedicated art spaces, studios, as well as more shelter and support for unhoused individuals
Community focus please affordable
As a person living and working in the downtown area -- access to basic necessities such as groceries is a challenge as well as affordable housing. Creating a downtown where basic needs can be accessed is paramount. I also believe access to social services and programs to promote a better live and self-development to be essential such as, free art programming, mental health and addition services and welcoming collaborative spaces.
Affordable housing for youth! More programs for youth!
Access to recreation services for children and youth should be a high priority.
Equity Responses
Response
Will there be enough parking and walkways to keep people coming in the winter?
Whoever redevelops this, and however they do it, it will fail unless commensurate measures are taken to stop corporate capital flight to the suburbs.
What the plans are for studio 393. it is the only youth programming of its kind in the city that does great work and keep my mind right. It is desperately needed to be kept open I we hope you will make the right decision for the community to keep it on site.

Welcoming skateboarding downtown and having a year round indoor space will bring people of all ages downtown and provide mental health and community building benefits.
We used to go to PP for shopping when the Bay was open across the street. Now we don't do that because of safety issues. We only go to PTE. It seems that the problem with downtown is not enough residents. Spaces for [redacted] will be in the former Bay building so duplication might not be the best pl the fact that when we go to PTE the parking is free and in the same building.
This is an opportunity to build community, build a neighbourhood that is truly inclusive - for too long those on the margins, many of whom have called downtown home for a long time, have been left out, pushed out, treated with disdain, racism, fear and discriminated against. If you build/design a community that meets the needs those that have the least power, who are on the margins, then it will be a neighbourhood that will likely meet the needs of all people without excluding anyone. Finally, given that we are on Treaty no 1 Territory, there should be space for Ceremony and some of the services/service providers should include Indigenous Agencies.
There have been decades of consultation with community over Portage Place that cannot be discarded by any prospective developer. Truly affordable—Rent Geared to Income—housing is essential. Affordable groceries. Free space to gather. Real community health supports and resources instead of heavy-handed security solutions.
The Skywalk is extremely important to those of us who live attached to it, especially those of us with canes, walkers, wheelchairs, scooters etc. Please try to keep the skywalk open as much as possible during construction. A grocery store especially if it is local such as Food Fare would be great.
The future of downtown Winnipeg depends on the people who already occupy the space having access to the services they need, especially healthcare, housing and addiction services. If the people who have been neglected by this city for so long are finally treated with respect and dignity, this will make downtown more welcoming to everyone. If you continue to only cater to the upper income brackets, the same problems we have today will continue, and the city will be worse for everyone.
The city need safe indoor skateparks for the youth and young adults - to get out of the cold and participate in community and physical activity
Sorry but I'm very frustrated that I can't answer your survey properly
Skatepark
Security personnel 24 hours a must .
Safety!!
Safety issues are of prime importance
Safety
redevelopment should include indigenous community input
PTE very important. Grocery store would be cool. Health care access seems good. Concerned about Manitoba Clinic sitting empty and building new health care space. Are there lessons to be learned from the MB clinic experience. Affordable housing is important. Keep it affordable. Washroom access is important. Perhaps postal code should have been consider with that stupid referendum when the narrow-minded delayed the opening of portage and main to pedestrians.
Please try to re-use as much materials as possible to minimize waste. It is important that any new development be carbon neutral and recycle construction materials.
Please consider those of us who live in the area and what we need - services, food security, medical clinics, green spaces. Thank you!
Please consider Studio 393 Youth arts and culture programming space
Ongoing community consultation. Not a one and done consultation.
My hope is that Portage Place would become an active living productive community that would revitalize the downtown core. Where people would live , and not just visit to see a game or a show . My fear with the open gathering gardens, is that it would attract squatters and crime. I have visited cities where there are beautiful city gardens, but the hotel lobby concierge would suggest not to enter at night.

Moving the Pan Am clinic is a concern. This is a very busy place. Currently there is free parking. Will people now have to pay to park? Will there be enough street parking available?
More importance on inclusion of spaces for youth and youth drop in centres, Studio 393 is one of those spaces that I access quite frequently especially pre-pandemic. It's a space where I was able to access art and dance workshops and it being accessible as I was a student and now work downtown. It's a space that deserves to be included along with other community services that should be highlighted.
Keep and continue the Pitikwé Skatepark in the future building. This community drop in would be very beneficial to youth.
Just happy that ideas are out there. Something needs to happen.
It needs to be a safe place to gather.
Inclusive indoor skate park Affordable services only
I would like more fitness programming that meets the needs of people who live downtown. The downtown Y's schedule primarily aims to meet the needs of folks who work downtown.
I want it to be a space for everyone. I miss it being public, I miss hanging out and seeing people, I miss it feeling lively.
I truly believe that building an indoor skatepark in the new development would create such a fantastic environment for youth and families to gather and have a safe space for fun. This would bring so many more people through the area and would in turn boost revenue to any surrounding businesses and create the feeling of a community space !
I think the indigenous community is very vital to the area as this place has been a meeting place for that community since time immemorial. It is imperative to not alienate that community and be sensitive to that community and it's culture moving forward. Instead we should be intergrading ourselves with them, in conjunction with their needs to ensure a safe place for art, retail, services and culture can be cultivated.
I think that the Pitikwé skatepark and community space that is currently being built would be an incredible asset to Portage Place. The folks who are making this space happen are community driven and have a large focus on inclusivity.
I think it should be a community space
I think developing youth programming will be key. Bringing young people back downtown will help create a more vibrant community. The older folks aren't going to suddenly start shopping at Portage Place again.
I hope you're collaborating with people connected with Hudson Bay project to avoid duplications of services.
I could not get your ranking system to work so all I could select was the number one choice.
I believe Portage place development should be seeking in-depth community consultations from the individuals who currently use Portage Place the most to ensure they still have input and a place they are welcome and safe.
Housing and food security should be at the forefront of this plan to ensure the downtown community has safe spaces to live and healthy food to eat. Amenities should be relatively inexpensive and tailored to the low income families who will undoubtedly be living here. Services should be low cost, high quality, and inclusive. Accessibility should be mentioned as well, to ensure access to ALL. Elevator access and paths that support all types of wheelchair use should be throughout. Retail space should be carefully considered, to ensure that patrons do not feel as though their options are limited by their income. Gourmet and Boutique options should be offered along with Ethnic products at a reasonable cost equivalent to the income of those shopping there.
Great decision to build a skate park here. Keep adults in mind. And skater like rollerskaters and rollerbladers. A true extended pump track would be something the city doesn't have yet
Get rid of the suburb spread. Rapid transit to downtown. Not buses
Free afterschool art programs
Cutler events space

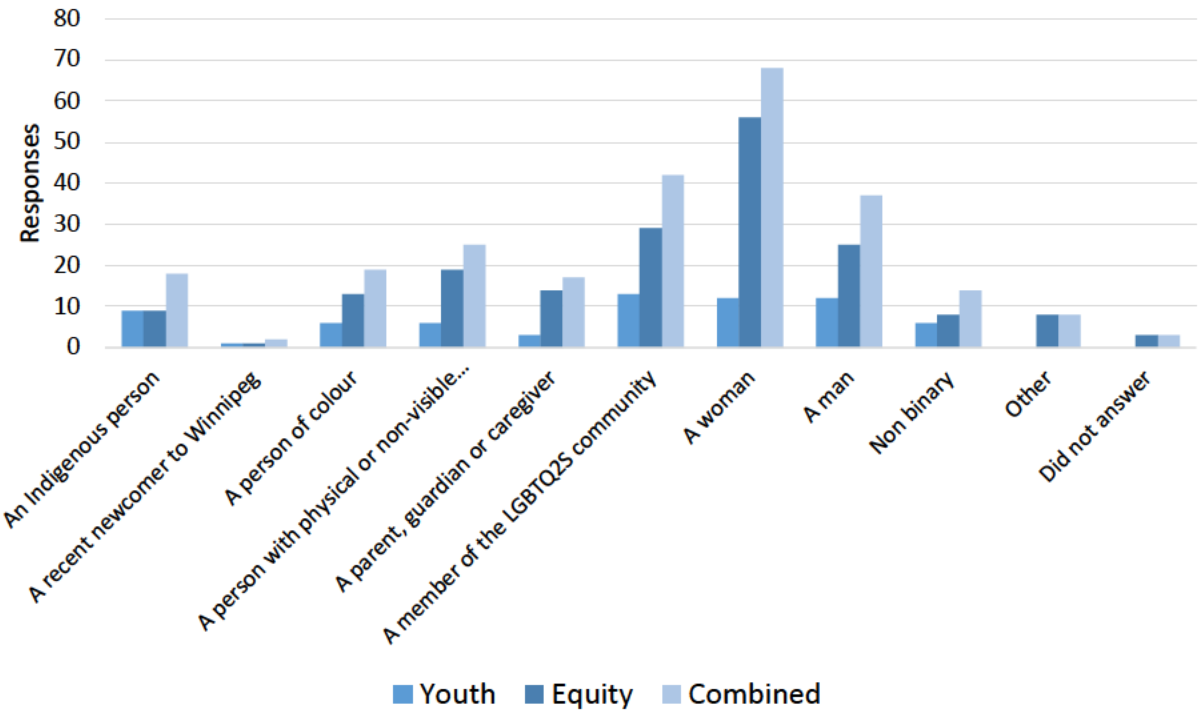
Community resource hub for getting people together to find the resources, help they need to improve their lives.
Community access needs to take place while inviting more to the area. Portage Ave and the surrounding areas are vacant and need people to regain life.
Bring the youth and care for children. Vibrancy will come! Skatepark, b-ball, playground, childcare, etc.
As residents of Fred Douglas Place and regular users of the Skywalk, my husband and I are very concerned about this issue. A safe environment that is welcoming to all is crucial. Security guards should be reconsidered and likely based on models like the Bear Clan Patrol. The DCSP folks should be regulars. The whole thing must not appear like a fortress. Should be a street presence on Portage Avenue.
Any redevelopment must put the community and community needs first ahead of for profit ventures.
although we want to draw ppl downtown we want to SERVE those who currently inhabit the downtown and make safe gathering spaces. needs a community safety program like bear clan.NOT security or police
A place for kids to have a little area for themselves
A community space designed to support those who live downtown and have less access to cars. A place accessible to all different types of mobility. A community first project to support the downtown population first!
Would use this area more if i felt safe. Just having more people in the area would make it feel safer. K

12. How old are you?



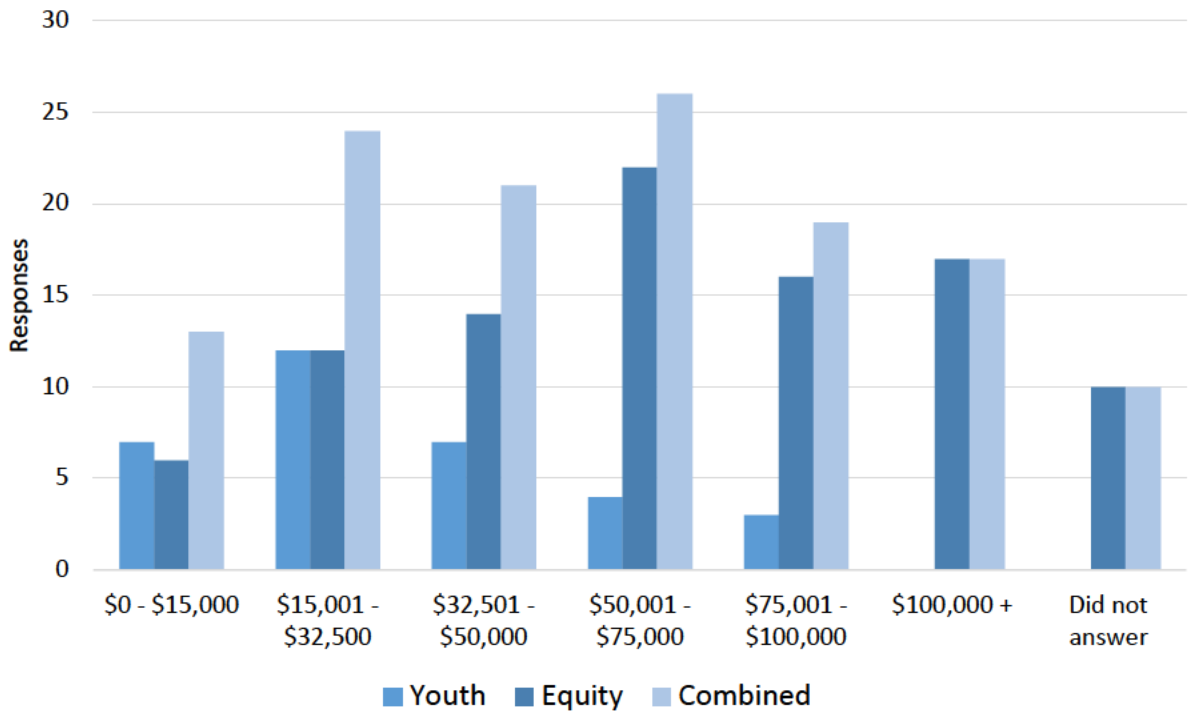
	Youth	Equity	Combined
0-14	0	0	0
15-24	13	13	26
25-39	15	32	47
40-59	4	28	32
60-79	1	21	22
80+	0	3	3
Did not answer	0	0	0

13. Please self-identify as you feel comfortable.



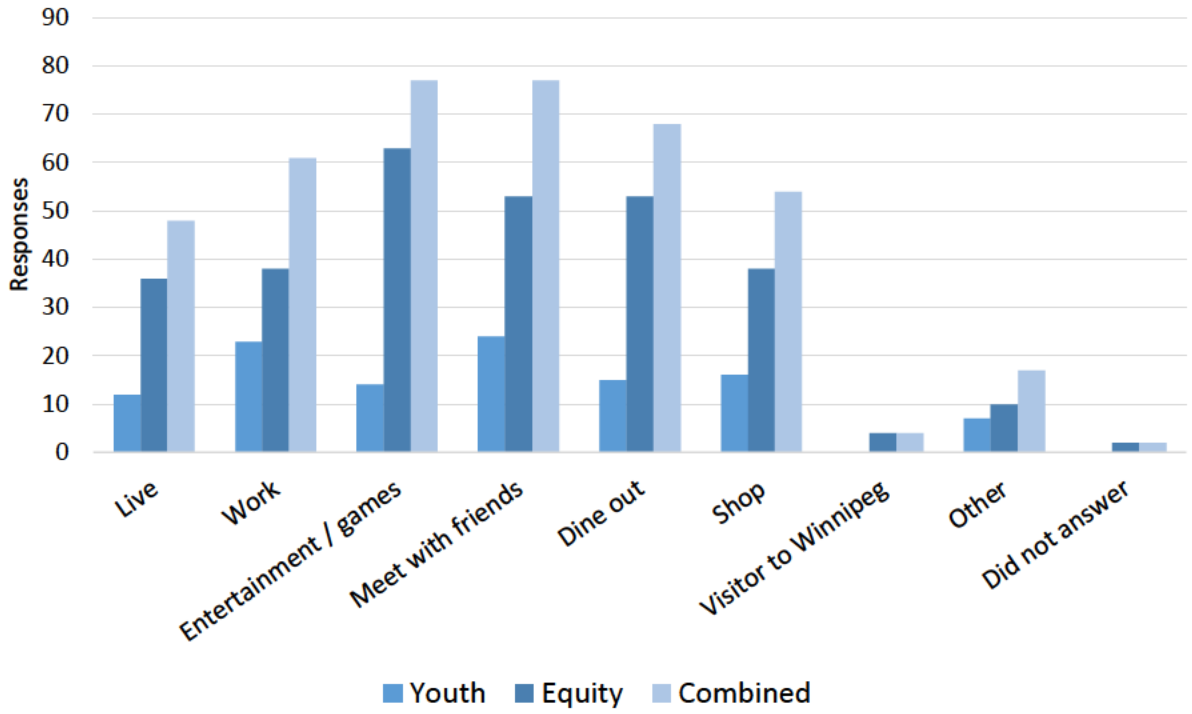
	Youth	Equity	Combined
An Indigenous person	9	9	18
A recent newcomer to Winnipeg	1	1	2
A person of colour	6	13	19
A person with physical or non-visible disabilities	6	19	25
A parent, guardian or caregiver	3	14	17
A member of the LGBTQ2S community	13	29	42
A woman	12	56	68
A man	12	25	37
Non binary	6	8	14
Other	0	8	8
Did not answer	0	3	3

14. What is your household income?



	Youth	Equity	Combined
$0 - $15,000	7	6	13
$15,001 - $32,500	12	12	24
$32,501 - $50,000	7	14	21
$50,001 - $75,000	4	22	26
$75,001 - $100,000	3	16	19
$100,000 +	0	17	17
Did not answer	0	10	10

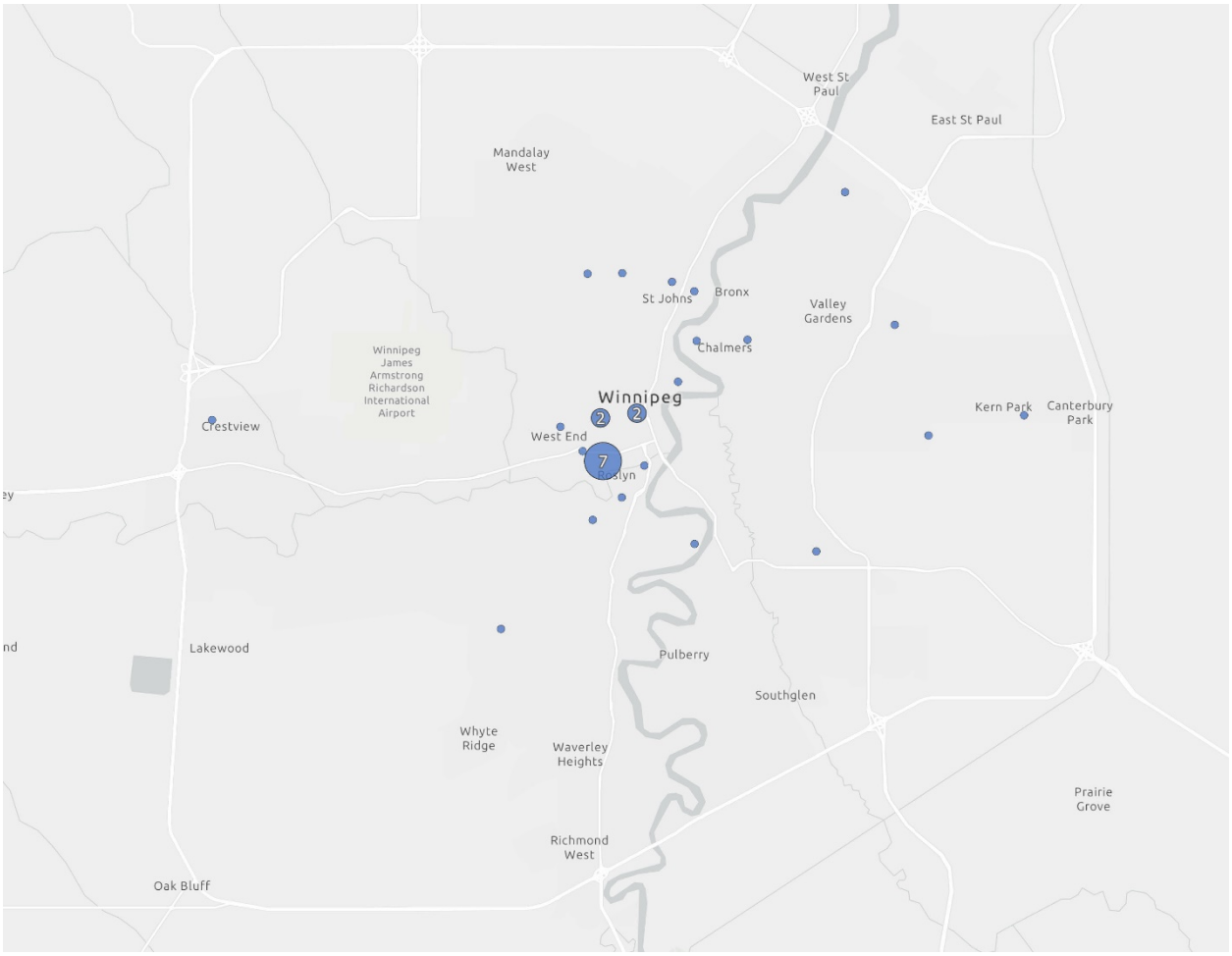
15. What brings you Downtown?



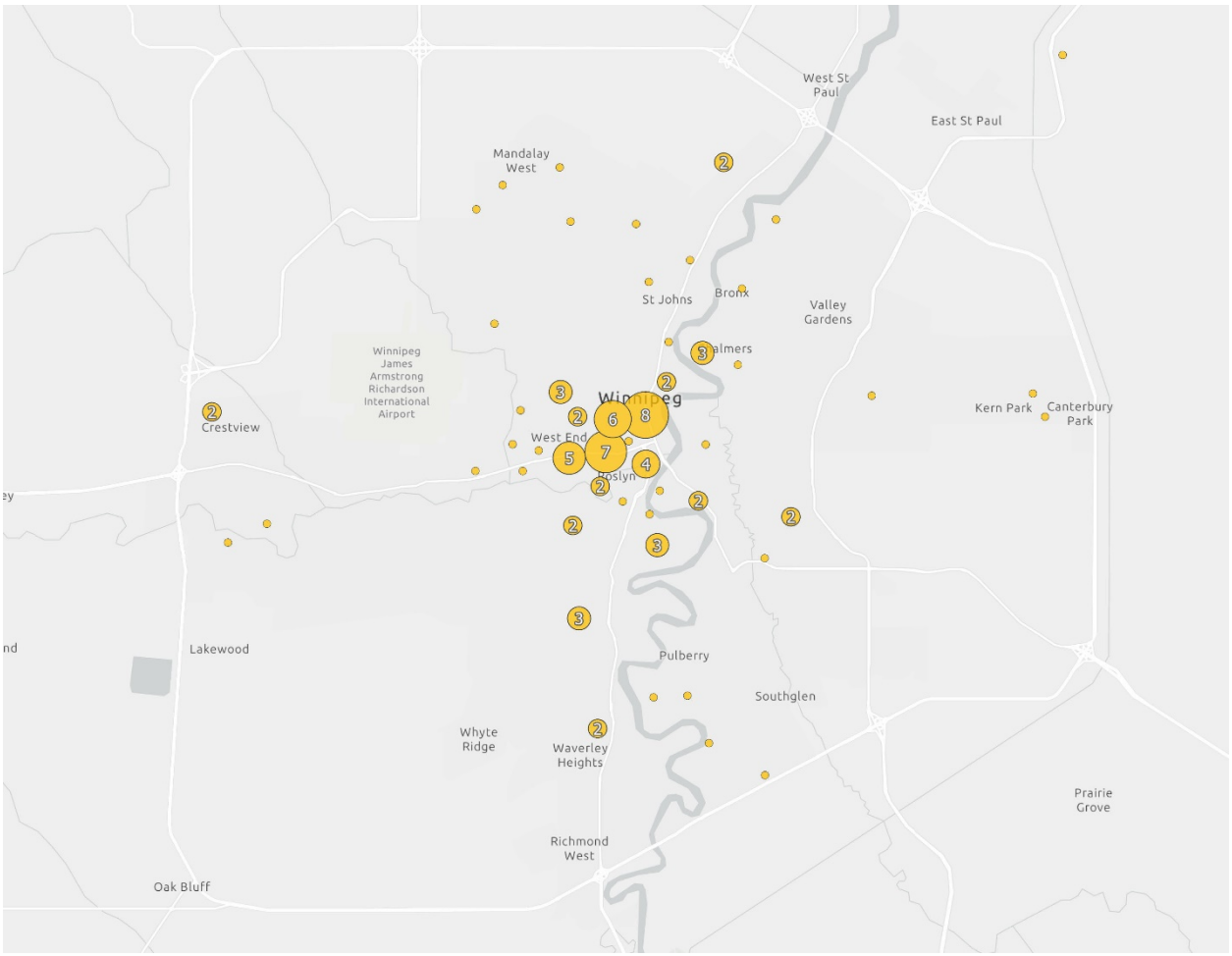
	Youth	Equity	Combined
Live	12	36	48
Work	23	38	61
Entertainment / games	14	63	77
Meet with friends	24	53	77
Dine out	15	53	68
Shop	16	38	54
Visitor to Winnipeg	0	4	4
Other	7	10	17
Did not answer	0	2	2

16. What is your postal code?

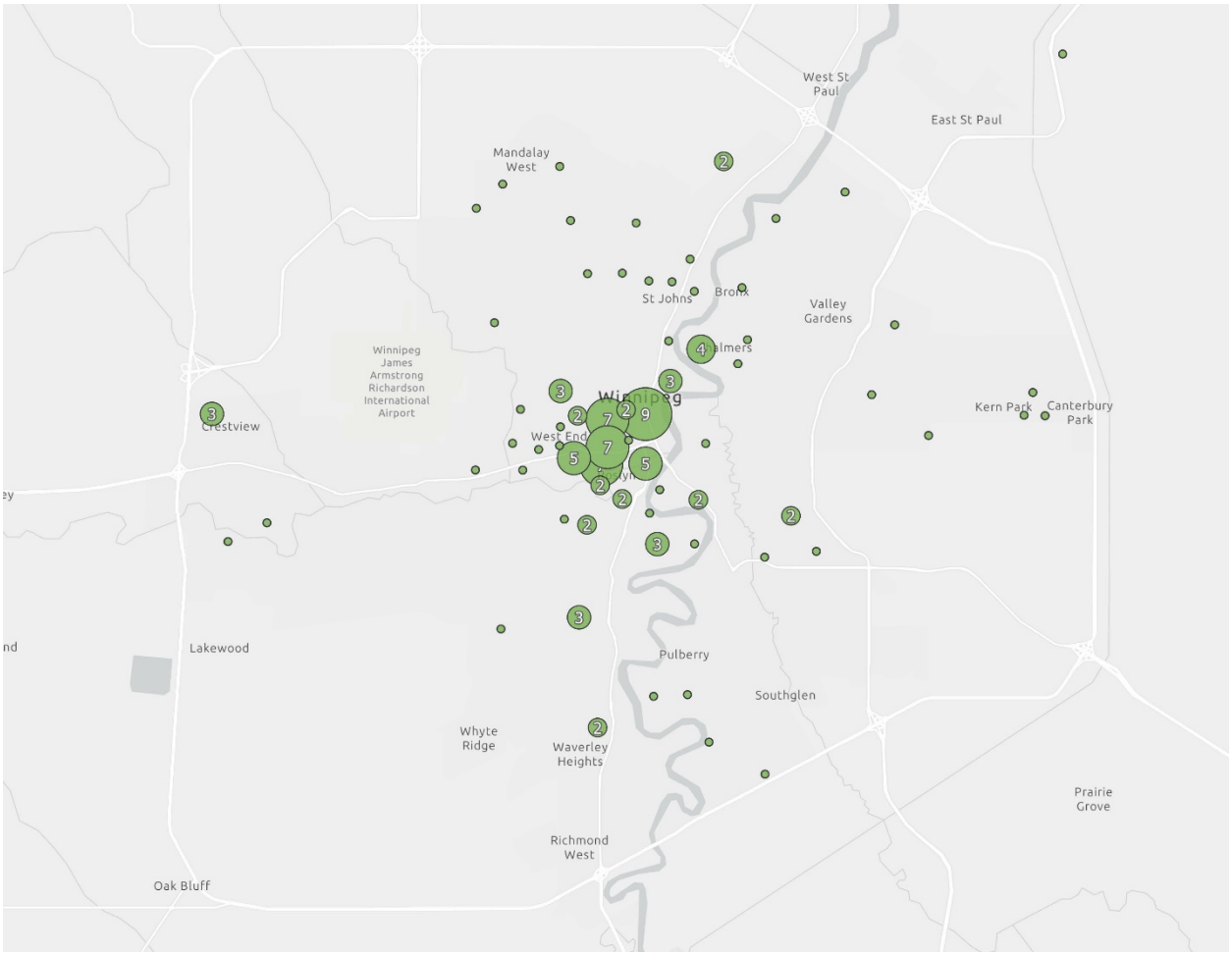
Targeted Interest Group – Youth (Art and Skateboarding organization) Responses



Targeted Interest Group - Equity-serving Organization Responses



Targeted Interest Group - Combined Responses



APPENDIX G – GENERAL COMMENTS - COMPILED COMMENTS (FROM ALL TOTAL SURVEYS)

Introduction
In this section, we've compiled the comments from the entire 702 surveys received. Participant comments and feedback are presented here, contributing to a comprehensive understanding of the survey's outcomes. These comments have been thoughtfully categorized based on their respective questions. Sub-categories have been implemented to provide additional organizational structure.

Redaction Policy for Public Engagement Report
In order to ensure the utmost respect for the diverse and inclusive nature of the Winnipeg community, the following rule governs the redaction of information and words deemed potentially offensive:

1. **Principle of Respectful Engagement:** Information or words that may be offensive or inappropriate to the public or specific community groups will be identified and redacted with the utmost care and sensitivity. Our goal is to uphold the principles of respect, inclusivity, and fairness throughout the public engagement process.
2. **Review Porcess:** All survey responses, comments, or content potentially containing offensive language or sensitive information will be reviewed.
3. **Preservation of Anonymity:** Personal identifying information will be redacted to maintain respondent anonymity and confidentiality, ensuring that individuals' privacy is protected throughout the report.
4. **Balancing Transparency and Respect:** While promoting transparency is essential, our commitment to respect means striking a balance between providing insightful information and safeguarding against the dissemination of offensive content. Redaction will be implemented judiciously to maintain the report's integrity while upholding social values.
5. **Consultation with Downtown Community Groups:** Consultation with the stakeholder group was done to ensure Transparency and to gather their insights and perspectives on the redaction process. Their input has been carefully considered during the final decision-making phase.
6. **Continuous Learning and Improvement:** We commit to continuous learning and improvement regarding redaction practices. Feedback from stakeholders and the public will be sought to enhance our approach and uphold the highest standards of ethical engagement.

By adhering to this redaction policy, we aim to ensure that our public engagement report accurately represents the collective voices of the Winnipeg and the Downtown Winnipeg community while safeguarding against offensive or harmful content. Our unwavering dedication to inclusivity and respect will guide every step of the redaction process, ensuring the report serves as a valuable resource for informed decision-making and positive community impact.

#6 A&B
Housing for People with Disabilities

- People with disabilities
- mobility challenged persons living with physical disabilities
- persons with disabilities
- Consideration for physically disabled & newcomer communities.
- Assisted living housing, such as you find in Dakota House
- accessible housing for persons with disabilities
- Accessible housing for people with disabilities. Access to services and ease of access to transit lines.

Social Housing / Low-income Housing / Socially Serviced Housing / Housing for Youth

- included with rent geared income is housing homeless.
- Social services, affordable groceries
- Sober housing
- Low income housing
- Housing opportunities for the homeless population
- Housing for youth aging out of care of CFS
- Troubled youth

Short-term Accommodations / Housing

- casual stays (Holiday)
- Hotel
- Short term housing
- it didn't let me rank but elders housing is for sure number one; also short term housing
- I'd love to be able to have short term accommodation for special events
- Housing not available / limited housing availability for investors of Short Term Rentals
- could travel hostel be considered

Downtown Workers-oriented Housing / General Rentals

- Other = business suite rentals, short term leases for business professionals
- young professionals?
- Workers in area [redacted]
- We need living spaces such as the Common apartments on Colony and Broadway. Whatever you build in this area you MUST commit to maintaining it on a regular basis. Otherwise, it will be just another neglected housing project!
- Other = business suite rentals, short term leases for business professionals
- Student housing is planned in the soon to be renovated Bay, so you will be competing with that. Why not make it rental property.
- [redacted]

Recreation / Entertainment / Play Spaces & Programs / Culture and Arts

- Childrens Play stations
- Youth art programming
- Hotel
- Prairie theatre
- Indoor skatepark
- The new skatepark would provide a safe space for many members of the community

- Theatre
- what we don't have is ways for people to enjoy the winter. We need a waterpark/ leisure center in this city. It will draw crowds of people downtown. Calgary has had 4 wave pool, leisure centers for over 40 years we deserve one.
- Drop in/hang out space
- community and youth programming
- Community
- A home for Studio 393

Other / Misc. / Not Sortable / Elaboration on 'Options' That Were Already Listed As An Option

- Condos that are affordable and more spacious for families.
- I rank affordable housing last because what developers call affordable is far from it. We need a range of housing from luxury to geared to income. Currently there is more expensive, luxury end & not enough for people who need rent at $1000or less
- [redacted]
- Security office - downtown patrols, or some form of help if needed right away.
- Security
- Office spaces due to some safety concerns if it is for housing.
- Secure
- Varied housing, including all of the above
- single males (studio apts)
- 2SLGBTQQIA+
- everyone
- Brothels
- All really these are all of equal importance and necessity
- What does this statement mean? No success with click and drag use other that apartments
- Term not applicable
- Site it's letting me move items
- No preference mixed income is a must.
- [redacted]
- I'm unclear what most of the above options are or mean. For example what is the difference between Elder and senior housing, what is Rent geared towards income vs affordable. what is multifamily vs vs family housing
- I really have no opinion about this - whatever works and is needed!
- How about a mixture of some of each?
- [redacted]
- Agriplay.com - Food Security - Indoor Farming

#7

Big Box Stores / Chain Grocers

- Walmart or Zellers!!!
- Safeway, coop or sobeys, ffood fare no ripoff grocery st5
- Red River Co-op rather than major chain supermarket(s).

Specialty Grocers
- Places like DiNardi, Delucas etc
- specialty eg. Bakery, butcher

Locally Sourced Products
- Local MB made products
- Local craft beer store
- Made in Manitoba food/products for sale
- small business local

Food Security
- Community Kitchen
- meal centre and food bank
- Food bank pickup location
- Food bank
- Access to food for those facing food insecurity (food bank, soup kitchen etc

Indigenous Specialty Foods / Products
- Native American Foods grocery store
- Indigenous medicinal foods/herbs, Manitoba Local
- Indigenous medicinal foods/herbs, Manitoba Local
- Indigenous Foods
- Indigenous food choices

'Affordable Options'
- Affordable
- affordable food
- Affordable food
- We need affordable access to fresh food. We do not need "health" "trending" food that the population of this area cannot afford. Have you been downtown? People cannot afford farmers market or organic food. We need affordability!
- Not another Motolla, neighborhood needs something more affordable
- Locally produced and affordable food should be prioritized over "health and Organic" -- which is often expense. We do NOT need more "artisinal" foods (like Mottola) . We need good food that families can afford..
- affordable healthy foods
- affordable, budget friendly
- Affordable food that is healthy
- Ensure there are affordable options available
- Affordable food choices
- Have to consider the area and social economics of people living there and what they can really afford.

Community Based Food Options / Community Gardens
- Community gardens, rooftop gardens
- Community Kitchen
- roof top gardening
- Agriplay.com - Food Security - Indoor Farming

Other / Misc. / Not Sortable / 'Options' That Were Already Listed As An Option; now Just Emphasizing

- farmers market would need to be affordable and culturally safe
- Farmers market
- Farmer's market year round
- There is already a farmer's market in the area.
- Grocery stores - couldn't move circles on phone
- Grocery store with butcher, produce section, deli etc.
- grocery with health
- smaller store with produce
- Grocery store should be full service, including organic foods. I don't want to see a separate organic health foods store.
- a full serviced grocery store for the community, and a higher end deli / shop for the office workers and residents
- #1 Grocery 2 Ethnic Foods, 3 Health Foods 4 Skills development for cooking
- teaching of cooking skills
- Couldn't get this one to work. 1) grocery store, 2) farmer's market, 3) ethnic food choices
- As ranking system doesn't work, here is my ranking: #1.grocery store, #2 bakery, #3 butcher & deli, #4 ethnic food choices, 5. Farmer's market, 6.health & organic
- 7b only allowed me to rank once on iphone. Indigenous communities should lead this discussion and there should be free food (community cupboard, community gardens etc)
- Again, all of the above
- Again your click and drag isn't working
- Again can' t get this to work!
- Cannot change ranking after first selection.
- [redacted]
- Proper restaurant; not just a good court
- Help Clean up DRUG use, and help Mental health problems
- walkway (pass through)
- Human Flesh
- lots of greenery indoors
- affordable retail - or things like Quark Outlet
- shopping
- All
- movies, groceries and stores for kids
- mixed ethnic
- medical
- Restaurants
- Youth activity (skatepark)
- Theatre
- supported employment, culturally safe gathering space, green space, children friendly
- special events or ceremony space
- Same as question 6
- Same as last!
- The overall design should reflect a 'healthy food environment' - healthy foods should be easy to access, and unhealthy options not actively promoted/advertised (especially to children). Lots of research and policy work going on in this area to look to.
- OTHER not necessary
- Daycares

#8 a&b

Skatepark & Overall Recreation

- Recreation /Indoor Skatepark
- Indoor skatepark for community gathering and enjoyment
- Indoor skateboard park
- Indoor skate park
- splash structure, playground, parks

Safety Enforcement / Safety Enforcing

- community safety host
- Community Safety Host
- community safety hosts
- community safety hosts
- community-based policing
- [redacted]
- overdose prevention/supervised consumption site.

Arts & Entertainment

- Art Therapy services, Indigenous / immigrant art classes
- Art Programs
- Theatre
- Prairie theatre
- Free Art Space

General Retail

- amenities like shoe/clothing/hairdressing services
- retail like shoppers and dollarama
- More shopping options - speciality shops for both women and men apparel, jewelry, skin care, feature canadian made products. It would be nice to attend an event downtown, have lunch or dinner and then do some shopping before or after.
- By all means. Set up some "affordable retail". Because what we really need is another dollar store to revitalize out city.

Indigenous / First Nations Oriented Spaces, Retail & Services

- 8a only allowed ranking once on iphone. Indigenous communities should lead this discussion and likely include Indigenous-led community centre/dropin
- Native American Food Grocery store
- Places for Indigenous ceremony

Youth Engagement Programs / Services

- youth, senior, family programming/services
- Youth programming (after school)
- Youth Hubs, such as Studio 393 and other youth serving community services with low barrier supports. This includes access to arts, culture, mental health services, and employment supports,
- Keep Studio 393 alive and present in on the grounds

- Free Youth Recreation Options (art, dance, skateboarding)

Affordable Food Services, Sources / Options

- Maybe instead of affordable food franchises, it could be affordable food services--preferably not franchises. Let's encourage local ownership with employment for local residents.
- Food Bank? Financial Literacy Training? Life Skills such as cooking low-cost "good" food
- Affordable local food choices
- Agriplay.com - Food Security - Indoor Farming

Other / Misc. / Not Sortable / Elaborating on 'Options' That Were Already Listed

- Community health services
- Gym or health/fitness facility
- Technology Hub
- Restaurant& bars for after concerts and jets games
- Ranked features: 1. DCSP, 2. Medical services/clinic, 3. Neighbourhood general services, 4. Child care, 5 affordable retail, 6. Entertainment such as Movie theatre, bowling,, etc. 7.social & new comer services, 8. senior services, 9. Personal care,,
- No opinion
- Most of the above should be included, with DCSP leading the pack
- I have not been able to get your ranking thing to work beyond #1.
- Financial, but specifically geared to supporting those who are typically NOT well served by banks.
- Do you think it's wise to put an addictions centre in the middle of an era struggling with drug abuse and dealers. We need the imax and cinema back. We lost towns 8. We need safe affordable entertainment. No areas with gambling or drinking.
- Couldn't get this one to work either!
- Can't do it
- Again I'm not sure what most of these options mean. Is financial services considered financial advisors, investment advisors, banks,atms? it's pretty vague. Same with personal care is that like a hair salon, a spa, Massage therapy?
- Again I only get to list #1. Don' t get it!

#9 a&b

Community & Youth Art & Recreation Spaces / Programming

- Kids space
- Youth oriented programming. Graffiti art gallery?
- Youth Arts Drop in Centre
- The new skatepark would provide a space for artists to contribute to the community in a meaningful way
- Studio 393 community arts programming
- Studio 393 and Graffiti Art Programming
- studio 393
- Art studios like... studio 393
- Other could be a space for children's art, specifically teen aged children that are underserved in the area.

- Free arts drop-in programs for youth, where they can build their capacity and have opportunities to utilize other arts & culture features on this list, such as access to the community stage for performances & mentorship through artist cooperatives
- Free art and recreation activities for children and youth
- community and youth art programming
- free art programming
- Community Drop In
- Community art drop ins that double as a resource centre
- community and youth art programming
- Art programs for kids and youth
- art programming for community
- Art Drop-In/Free Collaborative Community Art Space

Dance Studios / Programs

- Dance studios
- Dance Studio!
- Affordable dance classes

Other / Misc. / Not Sortable / 'Options' That Were Already Listed As An Option; now Just Emphasizing

- walkway (pass through)
- covered open space that can be enjoyed in all seasons
- safe harm reduction site with appropriate professionals and staff
- All
- native American foods
- splash park pads, children's theater, children's activities
- music
- Trees/greenery
- Skatepark
- Skate park
- Yeah. It's almost like we didn't already have these things, watch them fall apart and close
- We need more art and entertain spaces. We do not need charity centres, food banks and outreach centres in the mall. Invest in those services on the sides, make portage place an affordable place to shop and hang out safely! Make us nice like St. vital
- Vince Fontaine Memorial Theatre
- Same problem
- Rankings: 1. Movie theatre, 2., PTE, 3. Artists Coop, 4. Public Art workshop, 5. Community stage
- Public indoor skatepark! For skateboarding, roller skating, etc. Would make this a safe and enjoyable gathering spot for community members
- Physical activity spaces -- gym, pool, walking track
- working
- No more parks that are not programmed, owned and managed. Air Canada Park is a disaster.
- Indoor skatepark
- Indoor and outdoor skatepark
- gym
- Free recreation for youth

- Clean up Drug users and Help Mental health problems. No one I know want to go downtown today.
- Can't rank these in order?
- Cannot change ranking after first selection,
- Outdoor Theatre, Location Plays , Storefront MB events , Design Festival
- Imax
- Bring back the IMAX
- Bring back Imax?
- Bring back IMAX and include a parking reimbursement/discount for moviegoers
- Rehearsal Space
- Recording Studio
- Public art throughout the entire walkway
- music venue
- Music lessons
- Caberet/bar/dancing/live music
- Bookstore

#10 a&b

Specific Sports & Recreation Public Spaces

- Swimming/Water park
- Water park
- Skatepark
- Skateboard friendly public plaza space
- Skate p park
- B-ball courts, skatepark, etc.

Multi-Use Public Space

- Lots of greenspace
- Any places should be public, decommodified space where there is no police and everyone is welcome
- A park with lots of trees and plants! We live downtown and there are zero greenspace. It's hard. Central Park is just a soccer field with no trees. We need some nature space to walk in and relax in. Feeling trapped in concrete and sadness.
- [redacted]

Improved Public Safety Features / Security

- extensive lighting
- Community police station with law enforcement officers present at all times
- community police

Improved Bike Infrastructure

- Bike valet in summer to encourage people to bike downtown. Not safe to leave bike downtown currently
- bike lock-up compound/monitored/security/dog park/dog daycare
- Bicycle parking must be safe and secure.

Native Plants & Flora / Indigenous Cultural Plants & Medicinal Plants

- 10a only allowed ranking once on iphone. Indigenous folks should lead this discussion and would likely include community gardens/medicines, gathering spaces, sacred fire pit, public access to washrooms/water/shade/warmth, trees, safety lighting

- Rather than trees/grass - it would be nice to incorporate plants/flora that will be beneficial in the future of climate change. Native prairie species that can house insects and that require little to no maintenance e.g. spraying, weed removal etc.
- Trees and native planting.

Other / Misc. / Not Sortable / 'Options' That Were Already Listed As An Option; now Just Emphasizing

- Ranking: 1. community green space with seating, 2. trees & grass, 3. Washrooms, 4. Rooftop gardens, 5 free recreation centre with variety of activities and skill development 6. Skywalk connection 7. Solarium,
- persons wth disabilities
- Need to address drinking and drug use in public spaces.
- n/a
- i'm not clear what all of these are, or how some of them are different from others (eg. what is the difference between a "healing" garden and a "neighbourhood" garden? This was difficult to rank overall
- I'd say all of these are equally important, except for public washrooms, I think that's #1
- [redacted]
- Cannot change ranking after first selection.
- Again only ranked #1
- Large flower pots, opening of Chios to the outdoor walkway
- keep as is
- Sci-fi architecture
- All
- Native American Foods Grocery store
- Sorry but this isn't working
- rooftops are good if you want to keep people off the sidewalks in the summer, when they should be at ground level. Leave the rooftops to the private sector
- Same problem
- Same answer as before. No person I know want to go downtown. I have my Dentist and a Doctor downtown, when I tell my friends they tell me they changed all that so they do not have a need to go there any more.
- Functional Water Feature
- There needs to be descriptions included in the survey. I have no idea what a healing garden is I don't grasp how a rooftop garden would work (Publicly accessible or residents only.) I'd give more detail about confusion but character limit
- Underground parking for Peg City Car Co-op.

#11

Desired Infrastructure / Amenities / Services & Upgrades to Existing Infrastructure / Amenities / Services

- Nicer bathrooms
- Affordable living/safer housing
- Cheap shopping malls and cheap and free food and drinks.
- More recreation
- More gyms
- Child care, waterpark, and services for people who are not on assistance, addicts.

- Recycling of bottles and cans where people can drop their materials in exchange for some coins. Focus on cleanliness.
- More seating areas around.
- YMCA 24/7 open
- Need to enhance the height of the business towers roughly 30 floors to make it look visible from the distance to bring more people downtown.
- A daycare center would be such a nice aspect.
- Accommodation, grocery, social resources.
- Youth drop-in or even a place for adults to do activities for free or for an affordable price.
- A daycare center would be such a nice aspect. Throughout the new building, no advertising boards.
- Community help and resources.
- I work in the One Canada Centre (IG Wealth Management), and almost every employee access the skywalk via the tunnel to Portage Place. It would be awesome to keep that accessibility there.
- Seating for elders.
- Need access to more water for dehydration.
- Lots of green areas and biking infrastructure.
- Unless security and social services that address societal issues prevalent in the core and beyond, money will be wasted trying to redevelop the area.
- This should be a space for folks to access services that meet all their basic needs to ensure they survive and also meet their social needs to help them thrive.
- Will there be enough parking and walkways to keep people coming in the winter?
- Secured and public bicycle parking
- Secure bicycle parking is essential. There's no way I'd leave my bike at a regular bicycle rack. I'm trying to use my bike as much as possible and the lack of safe parking is a barrier.
- PTE very important. Grocery store would be cool. Health care access seems good. Concerned about Manitoba Clinic sitting empty and building new health care space. Are there lessons to be learned from the MB clinic experience. Affordable housing is important. Keep it affordable. Washroom access is important. Perhaps postal code should have been considered with that stupid referendum when the narrow-minded delayed the opening of Portage and Main to pedestrians.
- PTE is essential to my use of Portage Place. The free parking has made this a wonderful evening over many years and led to our use of the local dining facilities on theatre nights.
- Promote public transport connection, affordable housing and mixture of intergenerational housing/activities
- Portage place is a meeting place for the many people in the surrounding neighbourhoods of all nationalities. I've been going to Portage Place since I was a little girl with my mom and by myself when I was 13. I have always been a regular going to Portage Place and I now work in Portage Place and am proud to be a part of the community that is Portage Place. We need more services that help people. We need more helping hands, more supports, and more kind and caring services that will help the community. Right now Portage Place is a mall with retail services but people in the community are not wealthy enough to even shop at most of the stores. I would love to see the space turned into a community place that builds the community up and supports the community.

- Portage Place is our City's family room just the same way our family room is in our homes. A place to bond and share with each other informally and make new family memories.
- Please try to re-use as much materials as possible to minimize waste. It is important that any new development be carbon neutral and recycle construction materials.
- Please consider those of us who live in the area and what we need - services, food security, medical clinics, green spaces. Thank you!
- Please consider Studio 393 Youth arts and culture programming space.
- Please add more other cultural: Asian/Indigenous food stores, retail, design, style, comfort, and more friendly staff/security for the safety of the people visiting the new Portage Place. Please also retain Service Canada and Manitoba health near the area and if also possible to add more government services or child care in Portage Place. Also, more accessible and safe skywalk for the people. Thank you for planning the development of Portage Place; it will help other businesses, and more people will enjoy downtown as it used to be.
- Plans for parking.
- Parking should be easily accessible and not too expensive.
- My personal interest is PTE. I have no further needs from the redevelopment.
- Moving the Pan Am clinic is a concern. This is a very busy place. Currently, there is free parking. Will people now have to pay to park? Will there be enough street parking available?
- More resources for the homeless in the area. Those working in ensuring safety downtown to have training in mental health and addiction.
- More on health care facilities.
- Mental health program should be an important part of the new development.
- Lots of space for programming and events, places to grab and eat lunch, easy access to parkade/parking, skywalk access, space where everyone feels welcome and safe.
- I've worked downtown for quite a number of years. I remember how vibrant it was before Portage Place. I've always felt if it had more of an Osborne Village/ Gastown feel it would bring people back to downtown. I thought pre Portage Place that all the city needed to invest in where heated walkways so people could get to the shops from the inside in the winter. Since everything shut down over COVID it's been a depressed vacant downtown. People don't feel safe. I used to love shopping downtown. Downtown had the high-end shops at one time, Eaton's, The Bay, and even Portage Place in the beginning. I agree if you put in more housing and a grocery store it will come alive again. Make it affordable for people to want to live downtown and be proud of it once again.
- I would love to see Prairie Theatre Exchange with the main floor street access to Portage Avenue. Having a theater on the main floor with street access would add so much street traffic, visibility, and energy to downtown much the way you see in the Exchange with MTC during their season. I don't want PTE to be hidden in the mall.
- I would like to see some consideration for the bus stops/shelters. I know that a lot of people don't feel safe waiting for the bus there currently.
- I really want to prioritize the creativity that our downtown relatives display - both artistically and musically. If we transformed Portage Place into a massive community arts hub that has everything from an artist co-op and studio spaces to public art workshops
- Housing and grocery would be my priorities. And I would really like to see the IMAX Theatre return.
- Every connected building needs to look separate with different cladding which appeases the eye of the pedestrian and for way-finding. Commercial storefronts/restaurants entrances need to be facing the street that way it engages the

street unlike the current mall. If there happens to be a bigger restaurant it could better to have it take the first and second floor for sightlines for customers would be a better experience. Please keep the Kennedy atrium roof minus the north and south entrances/walls, for you stage events like farmers' markets, sidewalk sales, and concerts and have restaurant patios.

- Ensure the space is monitored 24/7 using security services and devices.
- Ensure adequate parking for all that is happening.
- Easy, clean, safe access from the parkade to PTE.
- Get bushes off of Graham and turn into a pedestrian-only Greenway.
- Consider also services in the middle section that complement that health care function at the east end. Will all health care services be during regular hours and M-F or will extended stays be planned for? If so, consider patients' support network and help that they may need in the area - quick food, pharmacy, etc.
- Connecting Central Park through the proposed greenway corridor is an excellent idea. It is not good that north of Portage is cut off. We need to think of downtown as a neighborhood, not only a commerce zone. The diversity of the neighborhood should be seen as a strength. Is there a way True North (TN) can find out what the needs are of those who suffer addictions & poverty?
- Definitely a focus on providing services for people experiencing homelessness and others living downtown who require significant support.
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- Dedicated art spaces, studios, as well as more shelter and support for unhoused individuals.
- Community resource hub for getting people together to find the resources, help they need to improve their lives.
- As able-bodied seniors, we would like to see some affordable 3-bedroom units that would allow us room for our hobbies, bike, etc.
- Avoid silos - mixed low rentals, affordable and market-priced accommodation
- Affordable housing for youth! More programs for youth!

Safety and Security Concerns / Ideas / Notions

- Safety and seating for everyone
- Needs safety officers regular patrol.
- A safe place for the community to come together and prosper.
- More safe, more access, more security
- More safety
- Safety for all people. Not feeling safe most of the time here. Include the Indigenous Community!!
- [redacted]
- [redacted]
- To be safe
- I want less crime and sketchy characters hanging around the mall. More security should be put into place and stricter policies on crimes like shoplifting, etc.
- Be more safety and community living and thriving retail industry.
- More safe, more access, more security
- at this time I do not go downtown other than PTE. If it was more inviting and safe, that might change
- As residents of Fred Douglas Place and regular users of the Skywalk, my husband and I are very concerned about this issue. A safe environment that is welcoming to all is

crucial. Security guards should be reconsidered and likely based on models like the Bear Clan Patrol. The DCSP folks should be regulars. The whole thing must not appear like a fortress. Should be a street presence on Portage Avenue

- More safer, more accessible more light in the evening.
- Needs to be a welcoming, safe, affordable space.
- More safe, more access, more security
- Change the downtown Aura/Spirit
- More education for security on Indigenous peoples as security can be very harming and disrespectful.
- Make Portage Place safer.
- More security. I've seen people openly huffing paint cans and openly doing drugs and fighting in here.
- If outdoor spaces are present, it will require 24/7 supervision.
- A safe injection site.
- Keep it clean!
- Security needs to know where all the stores are.
- Safety top concern. Hours of access to retail and community programs, theater, etc.
- Feeling safe is #1. Security has to be visible but not abusive/intrusive.
- Winnipeg is very vicious at times with the homeless community. So things can turn south very fast.
- No matter what plan you come up with, if people do not feel safe, they will not come. Good luck with this.
- I worked downtown when Portage Place was a vibrant mall filled with working people shopping, having lunch, and seeking entertainment after work. The underground concourse at Portage and Main was vibrant as well. Both were killed by vagrants and addicts hanging out, shoplifting, and eventually doing drug deals in the food courts. There was a shooting in the bus shack outside the mall. I was in line for a Timmy's coffee when cops tackled some dealers just ahead of me. Security guards were chastised for asking loiterers to move on, because the loiterers were "community leaders". If you turn Portage Place into a low-income social housing project, you will just create an artistically designed ghetto. It's scary using the parkade for Jets games as it is. People aren't pimps, and addicts and dealers because they don't have options. They are what they are because of the choices they made. Perhaps recent refugees from Ukraine with two jobs can show them how to overcome real adversity.
- I work downtown and often go to Portage Place to shop at different stores. I always have to go with a coworker as I have found it not to be a safe place. We even had scary encounters even with there being security. This is one main reason Portage Place is not succeeding. It needs to be 100% safe.
- Try to keep the drugs out.
- This is the only mall accessible to my workplace, and we frequent this place for lunch walks, meet up with friends outside work, and connecting to other malls. Priority should always be safety so people will go back and trust the downtown area again. And, we look forward to the future development as it will boost Winnipeg's tourism industry and even the economy supporting locals. Thanks.
- Have more security around the door entrance and exit.
- More accessible.
- Well lit, safety, address bus stop harassment.
- Without addressing the disproportionate amount of social housing around central park, this wonderful project is doomed to fail. The entire downtown needs to be a community of mixed income and diverse people. [redacted]

[redacted] needs to be dispersed and not concentrated, so people who are struggling and need help are saturated with the rest of life, everyone helping each other. Mandate social housing in 10% of all new multifamily builds in MB, and we are on the way. Sell all social housing government MF projects to the private sector. Give the subsidies to the people in need, and let them choose where they want to live. Then watch our inner city and downtown take off.

- The concept to revitalize Portage Place is wonderful. However, there will need to be a well-trained police & security team due to the nature of the vision and based on the increasing violence & in Winnipeg, & the drug & alcohol-related incidences. I was a client at True North Dental but have quit going there due to being harassed for money or followed by individuals high on drugs or drunk. Not a pleasant or safe experience.
- The biggest issue right now is making people feel safe. It is intimidating to walk by the big groups of people congregating in the mall and especially the Air Canada Park. I often will not leave my office during the day to even run errands as I am not comfortable carrying a purse or shopping bags in the area. Washrooms that people can easily access would be good as well. I am often accosted by the disgusting smell of urine and excrement in the area as you enter or leave Portage Place. Especially in the alcove to Subway Restaurant and the Carlton side of the mall.
- Street level access along Portage Avenue to facilitate pedestrian traffic.
- Some shiny lights won't deter all the bad criminal activity from behind Portage Place. Opening up a walkway will make people feel even less safe. While we enjoyed the demo last week on the slide show...the number 1 problem is with the riff-raff behind the mall. I hope there are ways to solve it.
- Downtown Winnipeg has become a scary place to be. Addictions services, mental health programs, programs to help people get off the street, should be a number one priority. You will not attract more people downtown with the level of poverty, addictions, and mental health issues that are becoming extremely prominent downtown. We need to help our fellow human beings heal from their traumas. People need to feel safe.
- These are our neighbors in downtown, not 'those people.' They need dignity. I strongly believe in Housing First & then solve the issues. TN needs to coordinate with the Centre 2050 planning. Many of us don't drive. Transit & bikeways are important. Mixed use is so important for this area. I moved back to Winnipeg after being away since 1988. I chose to live in downtown because I wouldn't need a car & due to the diversity of the neighborhood, the closeness of the WAG, the Library, performing arts, the skywalk. I am disappointed in TN Square-- it is too rich for me & I retired as a professor w/a healthy pension."
- Community access needs to take place while inviting more to the area. Portage Ave and the surrounding areas are vacant and need people to regain life.
- Cleaned up, much safer
- Get the homeless assistance.
- [redacted]
- Feeling secure arriving and being in Portage Place.
- Ensure the space is monitored 24/7 using security services and devices.
- SECURITY should be priority
- Security personnel 24 hours a must .
- Security and lighting. I walk through the mall everyday to get to work and at least 2 times a week I am harassed and followed by someone. It is aggressive behaviors like this that make me very uncomfortable coming into work. I can rarely find security and the hallways are sometimes dark and have lots of hidden alcoves.

- Safety. Safety. Safety? The only reason other than work I go downtown is for a Jets game. I have worked downtown for 25 years near Portage Place (I remember $3.50 parking) and I am a guy, so feel less potentially affected, I don't know any females who would walk near Portage Place alone due to safety and harrassement. Nobody I know (who does not work downtown) would ever want to go near Portage Place as all we hear about is the latest stabbing at the Portage Place Bus stop and other "people on people" attacks nearby. If anything is solved, the safety problem must be solved if you want people to show up to the new place. I know, I know it is a tall order, it is a complicated situation but nobody will willfully go (with their kids?) to an unsafe location. The area is full of "people with behaviors you are taught to avoid". What for, there are other "paths of least resistance" to go to around Winnipeg with free parking. I do have high hopes to breath more (safe) life into downtown!
- Safety, lights on nights and Cleanliness program
- Safety!!
- Safety very important
- Safety should be a primary concern.
- Safety issues are of prime importance
- Safety is a concern especially for the evening.
- Safety is a big concern for us.
- [redacted]
- safety concerns-security plans
- Safety / Security
- Safety
- 24 hours foot security rounds and 12 hours Biz foot patrol 9 am to 9 pm. Have 2 or 3 small cozy cafés operate overnight or til 1 am at least
- although we want to draw ppl downtown we want to SERVE those who currently inhabit the downtown and make safe gathering spaces. needs a community safety program like bear clan.NOT security or police
- A safe skywalk that is open at standardized times through the whole skywalk. A strong balance of safety with support. Service-based focus. Something that engages all income levels. A microcosm of Winnipeg; low income-affluent. Portage Place should not compete with existing services but instead fill those needs so desperately needed, whether mixed housing, grocery store, etc.
- A safe environment
- Would use this area more if I felt safe. Just having more people in the area would make it feel safer.
- Safe vibrant environment for all. Multicultural activities. A place with families, seniors and new comers can live and thrive together.
- Portage Place has felt like an unsafe place to shop, walk, gather, sit for many years, but especially in recent years. I did not notice anything about security in the survey, but I would hope it is at the top of the priority list as this future redevelopment moves forward. People who come to Portage Place need to feel safe otherwise there will be no incentive for them to participate in the future of this development.
- Please just make it a safe place, at all costs don't let it be a jungle like it is now.
- Please have an active presence around the clock for these areas for security and safety of all. Stations where you can call an emergency personnel and illuminated walkways.
- No loitering.
- Need to make downtown SAFE.

- My fear with the open gathering gardens is that it would attract squatters and crime. I have visited cities where there are beautiful city gardens, but the hotel lobby concierge would suggest not to enter at night.
- Make it safe and inviting. Poor survey design. It didn't allow me to rank other than #1.
- Key is it has to be a safe place. As a senior, I do not go to Portage Place now. Years ago I did a lot of shopping but would not go now. Do not feel safe.
- Keep riff-raff out, more police presence.
  Keep downtown CLEAN. Keep us safe. Need visitors from the Globe. KEEP THE BUS CLEAN AND SAFE.
- It needs to be safe. We cannot fix a problem we are not allowed to talk about; the crowd of people who currently frequent Portage Place are terrifying, and they aren't going anywhere. We need programming, assistance, and safety measures for these individuals. Let's have a place for rehabilitation, therapy, social assistance, etc. Even though a movie theatre is cool, if the crowd of Portage Place mall doesn't change, no one is going to use it.
- It needs to be a safe place to gather.
- Focus on safety and being welcoming in any future developments... link nearby active areas of the downtown to increase overall vibrancy.
- It currently doesn't feel safe to walk through any part of downtown until safety is addressed nothing else matters with the plan. As it currently stands, most of my coworkers especially the older women will go to work park in the parkade and refuse to leave our office building due to safety concerns. since covid walking through downtown has been the only time I've ever felt unsafe in the city.
- Increased security including more cameras are needed both inside and outside the facilities. Far too many vagrants hanging around asking for money and harassing people who want to mind their own business. It makes us feel unsafe coming downtown.
- It needs to attract everyone, from all income levels and backgrounds, to the downtown core. Winnipeggers need to feel safe, and excited about visiting, while at the same time interested in living in the area. Otherwise, we're not moving forward.
- I would suggest earmarking a large portion of whatever investment is being considered for security and safety in the area. If people don't feel safe, they won't come, and this initiative will be a non-starter. Safety - and the perception of safety - are critical.
- If you want people downtown first they must feel safe. To me, it is so sad to see the drug usage and littering in the building. I do not feel safe at all in the downtown area. You can put all these features in development, and if the community does not feel safe, they will not be in the building. The current walkways stink of urine and people are sitting and meeting but not the kind of people you want to see there. I know teenagers who go there to buy drugs. Maybe give the Bear Clan an office there.
- If PTE is part of the plan, there needs to be a safe place close to the PTE entrance for street-level drop-off and pick-up. Many people use Transit Plus. Security during the evening performances is also a concern.
- I think it's important that it is open and safe and secure 24/7.
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- I have lived downtown for over 40 years, Portage Place used to be on my regular route. But I've rarely been into the building for the past few years, used to go to Staples, but

now only stop into Shopper's if it's easier than going to the one at River and Osborne. I think it's most important to have a clean environment - when the Community Connections went into the Library, it created a huge garbage problem. I don't know who should have been in charge of that, but inside and out it was totally neglected. I like the idea of a community center plan, and thought the library space would be a big benefit. But it became a gathering of homeless, very vulnerable people, lots of erratic and dangerous acting out. Very sorry that plan was a fail. I don't see a lot that I would use, but am totally in favor of the central development plan - hopefully it will help the situation that's downtown these days.

- I have lived and worked downtown for over ten years and LOVE downtown. I hope to see this space redesigned to be an inclusive, safe, and inviting space for all Winnipeggers to be proud of. I miss when I could take care of most of my shopping downtown without having to travel to another community and hope that retail and groceries will be considered in this design.
- I grew up as a kid coming to that mall to show and to see movies. Now it's not safe to even bring my own kids too. Something has to be done about the safety in the area and with whatever it ends up turning into. No one wants to go downtown anymore due to the safety issues.
- I believe Portage Place development should be seeking in-depth community consultations from the individuals who currently use Portage Place the most to ensure they still have input and a place they are welcome and safe.
- I am excited about the opening up of the barriers, but physical and social. I want to know how this redevelopment project will keep the people who live in this community in the forefront.
- I am a resident in a seniors' building north of Portage Place, and I use the skywalk system to get to my building to a variety of places downtown such as the library, the bank, and the Canada Life Centre. In my view - the skywalk system must be preserved.
- How to balance the safety concerns with patrons and businesses and entertainment and the community that lives in and around the space.

Public Spaces / Gathering Spaces / Entertainment Spaces / Recreation Spaces

- I would "SAY" an indoor park would be nice and a daycare.
- Please keep center Edmonton Court - so important to see trees and skylight in the winter. Cheap parking would bring more people downtown. Keep Dollarama and Drug Store, Cherry Creek, and food court.
- In my opinion, one of the most important features that this campus should keep is the skywalks. (see map drawn on the back) 430,420, 410, and 400 Webb place are connected with a wide hallway on a street level.
- Great decision to build a skate park here. Keep adults in mind. And skater like roller skaters and rollerbladers. A true extended pump track would be something the city doesn't have yet.
- Free after-school art programs.
- I'm really excited about an accessible skatepark.
- Bring the youth and care for children. Vibrancy will come! Skatepark, b-ball, playground, childcare, etc
- Many seniors and disabled people in electric wheelchairs live in these five buildings. In the winter, they keep active by walking to Winnipeg Square or Convention Center and back. It takes half or one hour. They need a skywalk system because winters here are long and cold, and if they had to go outside, they would fall and break something. So having a skywalk system all the way keeps our hospitals with fewer visits. We desperately need a grocery store, please keep Shoppers Drug Mart, and we also need enhanced security.

- Extended hours for skywalk connection. 24 hours preferred.
- A place where people from different places can visit for relaxation and hang out and tour.
- This should be a 24-hour safe space for the community.
- Keep/add to skywalk links.
- Cutler events space.
- Indoor/outdoor spaces because as good as green spaces are, this is not enough connection to nature and community in the winter.
- I would like to see a space that recognizes Manitobans who have contributed to the international recognition of Winnipeg through the music industry. Randy Bachman, Neil Young, Bob Rock, Kevin Donnelly, Howard Manshein, to name a few.
- The grass area with the bell tower indoors is one of Winnipeg's loveliest indoor spaces, and it's extra wonderful in the winter because it's indoors but there is so much natural light. Please do not demolish this incredible space. Also, please prioritize pedestrians and cyclists.
- Youth living close to the mall desperately need recreational opportunities...More youth art!
- Welcoming skateboarding downtown and having a year-round indoor space will bring people of all ages downtown and provide mental health and community-building benefits.
- Windows on the main floor that you can look into, that don't have the blinds drawn down. Give people on the sidewalk something to look at and help them feel safer by blending the indoors with the outdoors.
- I hope it will actually be for the people who live downtown, not just another overpriced expensive thing that is out of reach for most of us. We desperately need natural/green space, recreation space (the skate park is an awesome idea! I don't skateboard, but I feel it's a perfect fit, somewhere safe and healthy for youth and adults to be active and be in the community). Groceries!!! Affordable groceries. Art.
- We need a water park, and Portage Place is large enough to do it.
- Whoever redevelops this, and however they do it, it will fail unless commensurate measures are taken to stop corporate capital flight to the suburbs.
- Similar timed activities need to be linked together. For example, things that are open in the evening like theater and restaurants should be linked so that you create pockets of vibrancy. Instead of walking past empty areas to get to your destination.
- Should connect to and include a community center and a sports field with a possible arena attached.
- A place for kids to have a little area for themselves
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- Housing, food availability (grocery in particular), lots of green space for community gatherings. To put it simply? Give me reasons to go there.
- The city needs safe indoor skateparks for the youth and young adults - to get out of the cold and participate in community and physical activity.
- Skatepark staying is important.
- Skatepark.
- Access to recreation services for children and youth should be a high priority
- I think it should be a community space.

- I think the approach of creating spaces and services for the people who are already in the area and visiting Portage Place, rather than trying to attract people outside the downtown, is a good one. I do wonder, given the safety concerns about Air Canada park adjacent to Portage Place, what the safety plans are for the proposed green spaces. It would be wonderful to have more green space in the area but only if most people feel comfortable using it.
- I would like to see an emphasis on the needs of the people living in and frequenting the area already. Portage Place is a central gathering place for many people even though in its current state, it lacks many of the necessary resources and recreational options listed in the new vision for the mall that these people could benefit from; they still utilize it as a space to warm up, grab a snack, meet with peers, participate in art programs with Studio 393 and Art Beat, etc. The choices made in redeveloping the mall need to take into consideration youth needs, elder needs, the missions of community-based organizations, culturally appropriate resources that are Indigenous-led. Access needs should also be a top priority.
- I think that the Pitikwé skatepark and community space that is currently being built would be an incredible asset to Portage Place. The folks who are making this space happen are community-driven and have a large focus on inclusivity.
- I think it should be a community space.
- I think it is important to keep and put more arts and culture in Portage Place and to have more green space. It needs to be a desirable place to come and enjoy your free time.
- I like to see using green tech solar panels, etc. Greenery, trees, plants, waterfalls, stages to showcase talent, maybe music open mic, etc. Community rooms for children to do projects.
- I love the community services to help those downtown but would like to see things that draw people from the suburbs downtown at night - movie theatre, golf simulators, adult fun like a piano bar, exhibition hall - stuff that also serves those that live downtown to provide activities so they are not having to travel to the burbs to find entertainment.
- It needs to be a community space, open 24/7 to everybody. Retail isn't working there, so let's do something different. This is never going to be a money-making opportunity.
- It needs to be a community hub for the people who live downtown who are mainly seniors, university students, immigrants, indigenous people, homeless people and those suffering from mental issues. It needs to be a place that offers the supports and amenities that this population needs. It needs to have lots of green spaces and recreation areas where people of these diverse cultures can meet and get to know each other. If it has this neighborhood environment, people from the suburbs will have far less apprehensions and feel safer about visiting our neighborhood.
- Be a place that can be a positive and fulfilling place for the community prioritizing the residents while also welcoming the working and visiting community.
- I would like to see designated spaces for youth, that are low-barrier and accessible. These currently exist in the form of Studio 393 and Pitikwé. Similarly, Art Beat provides an accessible space and free programming for community members, although not youth-specific. As plans are being generated for a new True North Campus, I would like to see spaces such as this continue to be included, and in a more intentional way. I would also like to see recognition that Portage Place currently functions as an important meeting space for many people living in Winnipeg's central park neighborhood. In a manner of speaking, it is already a community center. In order for new plans to be successful and properly meet the needs of the community, the voices of those currently using the space should be heard and considered in greater detail.
- It is important to maintain accessible skywalk for people with mobility issues and seniors. The proposed open air section would not be safe (it would move the Air

Canada park issues to inside the Portage Place area. Construction period will greatly impede the issues of seniors wanting to move to 55+ life leases at Fred Douglas Chateau and Place. Ensuring safety and mental health/addiction services to enhance safety in public spaces will be important. I urge strong advance consultation with WPG police and Downtown Community Safety Services to discuss models in advance and strategies to keep downtown safe. This is an exciting endeavor - I love living downtown but feeling safety at bus shelters and walking (even in daytime hours) is restricting my activity and enjoyment.

- Indigenous peoples need a cultural place, a place to just be.
- Inclusive indoor skate park
- I want it to be a space for everyone. I miss it being public, I miss hanging out and seeing people, I miss it feeling lively.
- I would like more fitness programming that meets the needs of people who live downtown. The downtown Y's schedule primarily aims to meet the needs of folks who work downtown.
- I would highly encourage a partnership with the YMCA, a wonderful non-profit organization that provides support to the community in many ways - physical, mental, newcomer services, daycare, etc. We need a Gym downtown... not a GoodLife or another chain, but a commitment to the community with an already established partner in a historic building.
- I truly believe that building an indoor skatepark in the new development would create such a fantastic environment for youth and families to gather and have a safe space for fun. This would bring so many more people through the area and would in turn boost revenue to any surrounding businesses and create the feeling of a community space!
- Prairie Theatre Exchange attracts clients to the building in the evening, as does the YMCA. Patrons of these places to eat and drink and need other cultural experiences to make a hub. Separate this purpose out from the services (such as grocery and government) and housing aims and areas that are meant to also make downtown more livable, but in a different way. Services close in the evenings, and all of the spaces around Prairie Theatre Exchange and the Y need to be open and vibrant in the evening for this sector to gain momentum and take off. A movie theatre is a great idea. Restaurants could then thrive.
- People living, working, and having main services make for a vibrant downtown.
- Please consider allowing the skatepark to flourish and you will see how big of a positive impact it will have on the community and the all-around feeling of downtown.
- Open walk areas, music venues, performance ongoing.
- Keep and continue the Pitikwé Skatepark in the future building. This community drop-in would be very beneficial to youth.
- More importance on the inclusion of spaces for youth and youth drop-in centres, Studio 393 is one of those spaces that I access quite frequently, especially pre-pandemic. It's a space where I was able to access art and dance workshops and it being accessible as I was a student and now work downtown. It's a space that deserves to be included along with other community services that should be highlighted.
- Love the indoor walkway, and easy access to events. We need to make it desirable for people to want to come downtown. Means cleaning up our act!
- It's important to me that people who live around Portage Place have a place to go to visit with friends and relatives.
- It would be cool to have a skatepark!
- It should have a skatepark
- It needs to be inclusive, welcoming, and safe.

- It needs to be a village/community. Therefore small shops deli, specialty shops, coffee shop, community gathering space/quad, children's natural play structures (large rocks, hills, tunnels, simple swings, etc)
- It used to be fun to go "downtown" to browse, dine out, shop, got to movies. Introduce some attractions to get more activity - boutiques, markets, Food trucks, Restaurants, etc.
- It needs to have something for everyone to make it a successful community space.

Community Engagement and Indigenous/First Nation Community Inclusivity

- Whatever happens, those of us who live downtown and close to the mall need to get through the mall from Ellice to Portage and back. Edmonton needs to be opened up - the mall needs to be more accessible and welcoming.
- I think Portage Place should be made into affordable living apartments, grocery stores, mental health services, things for elders, students, young children, access to elders, and ceremonies.
- Adheres to UNDRIP (United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples): NRTC (National Reconciliation and Truth Committee):Calls to Action
- Something for [redacted] and something for the kids. This community is huge.
- Involving [redacted] people in the planning process.
- That Portage Place will be welcome to all citizens. A place to be proud of and a "go-to" place for visitors.
- Welcoming space for our homeless neighbors.
- Children's gathering for positive role models. More native security, cultural teachings, pow-wows, drums, dancing, ribbon skirt making, and elder teachings.
- I would like to see more traditional training areas, i.e., Powwow, public teepees.
- Please include the community and the people living and working in the area. Involve the arts and culture.
- As a social service provider (newcomers) I think you must make sure the plan integrates Indigenous needs, perspectives. Also, I don't think making it purely social purpose is good (have seen downtown malls not succeed when they become solely social purpose). I think a mix is good. Must be inclusive of low-income people and meet their needs (e.g., RGI housing, grocery, services) but a great deal of thought has to be made regarding folks who are unhoused/deep in addictions/erratic and in a bad place. They deserve dignity and respect, but they also can't easily be co-located with the other priorities. You don't want to be known as 'kicking out the homeless' so a lot of thought needs to figure out how to provide some level of support (e.g. housing first, addictions/detox, food bank), but not compromising the safety and community feel that is needed to make this successful. If you work closely w the Southern Chiefs, perhaps they can inform and guide.
- Develop as a neighborhood, not a destination
- I would like to see an emphasis on the needs of the people living in and frequenting the area already. Portage Place is a central gathering place for many people even though in its current state, it lacks many of the necessary resources and recreational options listed in the new vision for the mall that these people could benefit from; they still utilize it as a space to warm up, grab a snack, meet with peers, participate in art programs with Studio 393 and Art Beat, etc. The choices made in redeveloping the mall need to take into consideration youth needs, elder needs, the missions of community-based organizations, culturally appropriate resources that are Indigenous-led. Access needs should also be a top priority.
  Redevelopment to make downtown safer and accessible to all age groups
- Portage Place has a history, culture, and loyal base of people who have never given up on the future of this space! Please continue to include access to local community creative spaces such as Studio 393, and affordable amenities to help bring life back

into this space, and back into downtown! We all love Portage Place and cannot wait to see the beautiful metamorphosis of this space we all know and love! Thank you! Ps. It would be super cool if your team somehow managed to include a fountain in the new design of the building. It would be an interesting, nostalgic, and lovely callback to what it once was.

- Think about Indigenous peoples when planning and implementing.
- There is a need for healthy community recreation that is safe, accessible, enjoyable, and excellent! If you are interested in developing this sort of programming in the arts, please consider partnering with a non-profit organization called Genesis Arts Community. The group of spirited females behind this operation has a heart for the city and as a team, represent a history of over 20 years of providing accessible arts education and training in our city.
- This is an opportunity to build community, build a neighborhood that is truly inclusive - for too long those on the margins, many of whom have called downtown home for a long time, have been left out, pushed out, treated with disdain, racism, fear, and discriminated against. If you build/design a community that meets the needs of those that have the least power, who are on the margins, then it will be a neighborhood that will likely meet the needs of all people without excluding anyone. Finally, given that we are on Treaty no 1 Territory, there should be space for Ceremony, and some of the services/service providers should include Indigenous Agencies.
- Student housing is of critical importance; involve our youth as a stakeholder in the 'neighborhood' and the investment is made to Downtown.
- Should prioritize community centers (like Studio 393) in your future plans. The studio is a place where the downtown community can learn tangible life skills. The studio cannot be replaced with anything else - it is one of a kind and has had a lasting impact on its surrounding community.
- redevelopment should include indigenous community input
- Putting indigenous communities and ethnocultural communities at the forefront of these plans is imperative
- Prioritize the health and wellbeing of Indigenous and racialized peoples first and foremost. Have the Bear Clan in there not just downtown community safety partnership. A lot of these folks are traumatized by excessive enforcement and need mental health care and addictions care, not to be policed. An emphasis on recreation for kids will help too! 24/7 drop in for kids would be fantastic.
  A community space designed to support those who live downtown and have less access to cars. A place accessible to all different types of mobility. A community first project to support the downtown population first!
- 1. Support for those who are most vulnerable. Who frequent Portage Place presently. 2. New Canadians have already started up small shops in Portage Place and the promenade walkway. I would hate to see them priced out of business because of the increase in rent. 3. For those who are struggling with addictions and homelessness, housing has to have on-site support services. 4. Incentives for job training programs/businesses for a variety of groups: youth, newcomers and those who are seeking to reintegrate back into society. 5. A grocery store that is affordable to shop in (I am afraid if the social issues are not addressed foremost, a grocery store will not last because of the shoplifting that goes on). I am encouraged by many of the plans that are being put forth!!
- Ongoing community consultation. Not a one and done consultation.
- Please consider those of us who live in the area and what we need - services, food security, medical clinics, green spaces. Thank you!
- It's crucial that the development meet the needs of the local community. I really appreciate the consultation that you are undertaking and the concern for our city.

- I think the indigenous community is very vital to the area as this place has been a meeting place for that community since time immemorial. It is imperative to not alienate that community and be sensitive to that community and its culture moving forward. Instead, we should be integrating ourselves with them, in conjunction with their needs to ensure a safe place for art, retail, services, and culture can be cultivated.
- I live at Fred Douglas. The neighborhood needs Portage Place absolutely revitalized. We need folks living, working, and recreating downtown. The grocery store is a must. With Hydro Place connected, a large daycare would revitalize the whole area. The Skywalk should have public art, rather than advertising billboards only about hockey. We are not just hockey! And we must have Indigenous Art and connections to the WAG and the Bay. And a belief that we are a hub connected to our beautiful library. Programming with more folks working at the library. My last plea is for trees and more trees around Portage Place with treed areas in strategic places. Landscaping and flower baskets everywhere! And Portage Place as a central hub for public transportation. The water public art at Millennium Park is beautiful. Think water, food, art, and lighting for all seasons at Portage Place. Joe's Bison at Hydro Place can be matched with equally beautiful art across the street at entrances at Portage Place.
- I hope you're collaborating with people connected with the Hudson Bay project to avoid duplications of services.
- Have people who represent the community that is already in the area take part in the development of the vision.
- Community involvement as to what is most needed is crucial in this redevelopment.
- Community focus please affordable.

Shopping, Dining & Retail Suggestions / Comments

- I'd love to see more shopping stores (clothes, shoes) and food court is a must.
- I'd like to see more shopping stores as well as food restaurants.
- More stores to shop at
- More retailers.
- Have underground parking. Need pharmacy with post office, Dollarama, walk-in medical clinic, restaurants (not expensive), banking, and mobile phone stores.
- Need a grocery store.
- Keep/bring back stores like Zellers and Michaels.
- Keep food stores like Shawarma Xpress. That's my favorite.
- Would like to see more local small restaurants like cafes or bakeries, lunchtime restaurants rather than chains. Help support local.
- Better grocery stores.
- We are Jets Season Ticket holders and PTE ticket holders so any planning that can enhance these experiences would be welcome. Restaurants nearby PTE would be nice!
- We need density - grow up instead of out population/housing - provide walkable access to the drug store, food shopping, and entertainment (rid car-centric). Bars/dancing/nightlife
- Portage Place is/was one of my favourite spots in Wininpeg. I have spent so much time here and I love downtown overall. There has to be a balance between making it a space for all people to be able to meet up and connect while also ensuring a safe space for everyone. It would be cool to offer incentives to people to make it as easy as possible and logical as possible to choose to go to Portage Place. Discounts on parking for shoppers, movie/event watchers, a welcoming space, possibly even a feature like the MB Hydro building has with the indoor waterfall. To bring younger people in - have some very aesthetically pleasing backdrops for people to pose against/take videos of

themselves with. It's also important to balance affordability with desirability. Possibly having a OOMOMO store instead of a Dollarama etc.
- More shops connected to Pembina, St. Boniface, St. Vital.
- More coffee, food options, and relaxation.
- Main thing for me is an affordable full-size grocery store, skywalk connection, and a movie theatre.
- Keep PTE in your plans.
- Grocery store most important no children running without supervision restaurants and public seating spaces washrooms easy traffic around the area.
- It would be wonderful if the Portage Place Campus once again became a desired Winnipeg destination for all citizens & visitors. Connections to WAG; the renovated Bay store; True North Square; and, Canada Life Centre.
- Retail space should be carefully considered, to ensure that patrons do not feel as though their options are limited by their income. Gourmet and Boutique options should be offered along with Ethnic products at a reasonable cost equivalent to the income of those shopping there.
- Have stores like Dollarama open until shortly after PTE show starts so that people can shop a bit beforehand.
- As a person living and working in the downtown area -- access to basic necessities such as groceries is a challenge as well as affordable housing. Creating a downtown where basic needs can be accessed is paramount. I also believe access to social services and programs to promote a better live and self-development to be essential such as, free art programming, mental health and addiction services and welcoming collaborative spaces.
- A green mall would be something completely new!!

Other Comments
- Portage is good, and I come to Portage to buy things.
- Reverse housing and Pan AM building locations.
- We live in the area, and as such, we try to walk everywhere we go. Like the 15-minute concept, so like to access the area year-round. Ability to walk to Portage and Main or enjoy the Edmonton Courtyard or get basics and Dollar Store and walk to the dentist in City Place.
- It needs to have something for everyone to make it a successful community space.
- It's a central space that needs community healing and revitalization.
- I would "SAY" an indoor park would be nice and a daycare.
- Affordable living, mental health/addiction services. Access to ceremonies and elders.
- Nice Plan
- Nice Plan.
- IT NEEDS TO BE A CLASSY PLACE TO BE.
- Its lost sorry but it is.
- That Portage Place will be welcome to all citizens. A place to be proud of an a "go-to" place for visitors.
- unknown
- I want to know why the mall does not get upgraded.
- [redacted]
- Change in a positive direction.
- If you want to get Winnipeg residents to visit Portage Place, there must be a free parking time of 2 or 3 hours so people do not have to pay for parking. This could be done by giving by issuing a free Parking Pass for persons entering the parking in the area. When I lived in Cranbrook, BC, I was given a free parking pass when I turned 65

so I could park in the metered areas for free. This encouraged me to shop in the downtown area and not worry about getting a parking permit. It is my belief that parking and paying a high price for parking as well as the crime are the reasons residents are weary of visiting downtown Winnipeg.

- Portage Place has been a go-to for meetups for years. I would hate to see that go.
- Keeping it open is important and a place for people of all ages.
- Get it done!
- [redacted]
- I hope it will be a clean and safer environment in the future.
- How much is affordable housing? Who are the target income groups?
- Fix the back.
- I totally support the vision of Portage Place being a health/social services/healing center as well as arts and culture. However, if you want it to be a destination for bringing people downtown to engage in community and entertainment, you have to have sufficient offerings to attract people downtown who only want to access the entertainment aspects and also have lunch or dinner before or after events.
- Plans look great, and I hope this happens for Portage Place. It doesn't look good here for a long time. From clients to security and safety and more. Thank you.
- Every section of buildings has different cladding to make the area more engaging. Have commercial on the main floor. Have some restaurants occupy 2 floors. Keep the Atrium (without Portage and promenade entrances/wall) to shelter farmers markets and music. This would shelter people and events from the elements. Music playing on stage would actually keep people from sitting around too long like at Air Canada Place.
- I was hoping for a state-of-the-art safe harm reduction site downtown staffed with experienced counselors and resource people included. Perhaps medical to serve. Downtown nationwide epidemic of drug-addicted people providing a state-of-the-art setting to give hope, guidance, programming toward housing and a productive drug-free existence. Your medical facility could incorporate a small such facility with just a few possible also in-house drug rehab units for the minority of users that are ready and wanting to get drug-free and into housing with appropriate work training and education. With guidance from professional counselors, many of whom have taken this journey. Reduction site with professional and culturally appropriate counselor and staff and security can be housed successfully with other mentioned venues eg. separate exit for safe harm reduction site. Facility can be private and professional. Institutions can and should no longer sit on their hands over this. The loss of life, suffering frankly was of human potential among this with no contentment nor feeling of accomplishment or contribution to society is vast and unfortunately, epidemic proportions. It is a new age on which unfortunately includes many people who have turned to street drugs and are addicted (North America-wide) We can't as a nation NOT deal with the reality anymore. In addition to number 10. All facets of #10 as usual are great and important. Although I'm not too happy about all of Portage Place Mall being demolished for your new structure (waste of materials) I am happy that your designs include a lot of Green space areas as I am completely Environmentally Concerned. Too much Tree-chopping and lawn-spraying and chemicals go on in this city as if the Environment were not in

crisis with bird and pollinating insects dying off in large numbers I trust you will not be applying/relying on chemical pesticides or herbicide maintenance or at all. Instead using plants/shrubs and trees this natural ground covers. (There are several lawn and garden companies who advertise and sell the natural/non-chemical options for greenspaces and gardens) Also, a little research on your part will have to be done (otherwise I will gag constantly all day every day) into servicing NON-GMO (non-genetically-modified) plants shrubs and trees for the gardens and greenspaces because I am low income so often without phone minutes, and I have not been able to search out nurseries that do have certified non-GMO plants shrubs and trees beyond finding some non-GMO seed packets at Contain Tire (organic non-GMO pet grass) I think I am also non-GMO organic vegetable seeds) All sorts and Rona. May European and some Latin American Countries have banned GMO foods and products. There is a lobby in Canada to at least label GMO foods and some states I believe require labeling. There have been several scientific studies showing the GMO foods cause disease and organ failure in people. So why would we pollute and harm our natural informant by providing plants shrubs and trees to birds, bees, butterflies, etc., that are undoubtably harmful to them and changed on the genetic level. I have mad just a few inquiries. I don't think many of the local nurseries have twigged to this issue yet. You will have to talk to a fair number of supervisory or managerial people at the nurseries/farms etc. and possibly order from further a field online. We cannot plant and offer that the natural world harmful genetically altered food which also enter the wider countries and wild areas through flight and defecation of seeds, reproduction/offspring. IF this is not also affected inhibited.

- When is it going to open?
- I think it's most important to have a clean environment - when the Community Connections went into the Library, it created a huge garbage problem. I don't know who should have been in charge of that, but inside and out it was totally neglected. I like the idea of a community center plan, and thought the library space would be a big benefit. But it became a gathering of homeless, very vulnerable people, lots of erratic and dangerous acting out. Very sorry that plan was a fail. I don't see a lot that I would use, but am totally in favor of the central development plan - hopefully, it will help the situation that's downtown these days.
- If you want to get Winnipeg residents to visit Portage Place, there must be a free parking time of 2 or 3 hours so people do not have to pay for parking. This could be done by giving by issuing a free Parking Pass for persons entering the parking in the area. When I lived in Cranbrook, BC, I was given a free parking pass when I turned 65 so I could park in the metered areas for free. This encouraged me to shop in the downtown area and not worry about getting a parking permit. It is my belief that parking and paying a high price for parking as well as the crime are the reasons residents are weary of visiting downtown Winnipeg.
- Winnipeg needs to deal with the root of the problem. Creating more addiction centers deal with trauma vs. prison. Deal with addiction vs. Jail.
- Racism should be stopped.
- I am very impressed with the True North Campus vision. You have a real understanding of what is needed to serve the newcomers, indigenous, and senior citizen communities who already live downtown.
- Complimentary Development of Portage Place, SCO/HBO, and other new downtown developments.
- How long it will take to be possible for all the renovations and other things?
- Definitely needs an update.
- Completion of the plan within a reasonable time.
- Tear it down.

- Bring life back to downtown only people here are working Mon-Fri and don't feel safe. Too many drug dealers and not enough police.
- What is affordable housing? Who are the targeted income group? How much does it cost to be considered affordable?
- With all these great ideas, where do you expect the people in those buildings to park? Good Luck!
- I hope you succeed. No one else has.
- I could not get your ranking system to work, so all I could select was the number one choice.
- How do you click and drag a circle to list order of importance
- Want to see Prairie Theatre Exchange maintained in its present location if at all possible. Mainly because it is already THERE and has been serving as a community artistic hub even as the rest of the mall has been falling into disuse.
- [redacted]
- [redacted] here will need to be security around at all times.
- We used to go to PP for shopping when the Bay was open across the street. Now we don't do that because of the safety issues. We only go to PTE. It seems that the problem with downtown is not enough residents. Spaces for [redacted] will be in the former Bay building so duplication might not be the best plan. We like the fact that when we go to PTE the parking is free and in the same building.
- These choices don't work. You need to use another format for true value.
- There should be an apiary on the rooftop. Save the bees!
- [redacted]
- Thank you for allowing our feedback. I have lived in the Place Promenade since 2008. I have been a student during that time, now I work as a nurse. I have two children. I am raising my children here because we want to be near the WAG, MB museum, the exchange, the buses. This area needs more green space, more affordable grocery access & entertainment. Have you ever walked downtown? On Ellice? Or Portage Ave? Have you seen the bus shelters? This place, if not designed wisely & then maintained properly, will quickly deteriorate. The people from the suburbs who come here for games look scared to death when they visit, I see them. They leave as fast as the games are over. They are not coming to our mall for shopping or entertainment. Serve those who live here. We have families to raise, feed, & entertain. People come from the north & visit here. They stay at Quest Inn. Make the mall a place where they can shop & gather. Have you ever come from a rural area to the city? It's fun!
- Studio 393 is an integral part of the Downtown community. I'd like to see more community arts programs run by Graffiti Arts Programming and their instructors, maybe public or even outdoor spaces for community workshops and skills development for at-risk youth.

- Thanks for considering my feedback.
- Sorry, but I'm very frustrated that I can't answer your survey properly.
- Right now portage place is a gathering place and I believe losing that quality would be a disservice to the community
- Regular music . When the present public piano is used in the court gathering area of Portage Place the atmosphere immediately changes .. singing, dancing. People have learned how to play piano because of its location. Beautiful thing !!!
- [redacted]
- Portage Place is dead. The stores are going and the only item left will be a food court. Until you have a genuine plane to get people off living on the streets your Portage Place project will fail. Your customers at this point are your customers, congratulations.
- Optimistic that with True North getting involved things will improve. True North is sufficiently present downtown to have developed a good sense of what is needed and have demonstrated a significant commitment to the downtown.
- None to think of.
- Keep Prairie Theatre.
- Just happy that ideas are out there. Something needs to happen.
- I hope your vision for change and updating Portage Place will come to fruition. Congratulations on your endeavors.
- I am so excited about the vision for this space. If executed well it could be wonderful for the city. A successful downtown needs live/work/play and space for everyone. Opening it up, greening the area, building community looks terrific. Bravo. (a few cautionary words: building something accessible, beautiful, welcoming, and functional also needs to be maintained. Budget HAS to be in place for ongoing upkeep, maintenance, and safety. I am so sad every time I drive past Thunderbird House because it should be a space to be proud of. The garbage and broken everything between Logan and Higgins on Main is tragic. Please don't let that happen here. Account for the need for on-site staff, connections with helper resources, regular and significant maintenance (and if something is broken, please fix immediately). Thank you!
- I am so excited about the vision for this space. If executed well, it could be wonderful for the city. A successful downtown needs live / work / play and space for everyone. Opening it up, greening the area, building community looks terrific. Bravo.
- Frustration with this survey that is designed for people educated in technology.
- Hoping to see seasonal events and local artist's performances. Good for the community and a good opportunity for the artists to showcase their talents.
- Get rid of the suburb spread. Rapid transit to downtown. Not buses.
- Gathering spaces only attract street people, beggars, drug dealers. Turning Portage Place into a hangout only deters retailers & restaurants. Make it appealing for all of society!
- I am becoming concerned about the 'sugar daddy/savior approach' that City Council is so willing to embrace. While altruistic, a private citizen shouldn't 'own' our downtown.
- Be aware of the issues that took down Portage Place and pretty well downtown Winnipeg. Either make it an executive living and recreation area or tear it down and sod it and let the north end take it over
- Agriplay.com can satisfy your need for indoor farming - Elevated urban farming Agriplay Ventures Inc. is an innovative vertical farm & technology company dedicated to solving large scale, systemic, food insecurity by transforming legacy and underutilized commercial infrastructure into intelligent indoor farms and sustainable green building systems

- Address the homelessness and addiction issues in our city
- A downtown area which can be safely accessed & be enjoyed by downtown residents would be great.

Appendix H – List of Engaged Stakeholders and Additional Contributors - Stakeholder Contacts

Name	Address/Website	Email	Phone
1. Community Stakeholders- Neighbourhood Organizations 1 (8 participants)			
Bear Clan patrol	584 Selkirk – www.bearclanpatrol.org	contact@bearclanpatrol.org	
Immigration Partnership Winnipeg	– 432 Ellice Ave. - https://www.ipwinnipeg.org.	info@lipw.ca	204-943-2561
Immigrant and Refugee Community Organization of Manitoba	95 Ellen St. – www.ircom.ca	info@ircom.ca, shereend@ircom.ca	204-306-9858
Aboriginal Youth Opportunities	https://ayomovement.wordpress.com	info@ayomovement.com	
Mosaic Newcomer Family Resource Centre	397 Carlton – https://www.mosaicnet.ca	mosaicinfo@mosaicnet.ca	(204) 774-7311
Immigrant Centre	100 Adelaide street icmanitoba.com	frontdesk@icmanitoba.com	(204) 943-9158
Welcome Place	521 Bannatyne Avenue miic.ca	volunteerprogram@miic.ca	(204) 977-1000
Winnipeg aboriginal Council	181 Higgins Ave. - https://www.abcouncil.org/		(204) 989 9380
FDCRC	Fred Douglas Chateau Residents Council		(204) 720-6861
2. Community Stakeholders – Neighbourhood Organizations 2 (8 participants)			
Spence Neighbourhood Association	615 Ellice Ave. - https://spenceneighbourhood.org	liaison@spenceneighbourhood.org	204-783-5000
West Broadway Community Organization	104-222 Furby St. https://westbroadway.mb.ca	tenants@westbroadway.mb.ca	204-774-7201
West End 24 Hour Safe Space (WE24 youth shelter)	430 Langside St. - https://spenceneighbourhood.org/program/we24/		(204) 944-8685
Centennial Community Improvement Association	545 Alexander Ave. - http://www.centennialneighbourhood.com/		204.806.5939
West Alexander Residents Association	https://www.facebook.com/people/West-Alexander-Residents-Association/100067788707728/ (left Facebook message)		
Knox United Church	400 Edmonton - https://knoxwinnipeg.ca	KUC@knoxwinnipeg.ca	204.942.4579
Winnipeg Central Park Women's Resource Centre	400 Edmonton - https://wcpwrc.com/		(204) 944-8685
Central Park Foot Patrol CPFP	Edmonton St. – no active website – they have a Facebook page (left Facebook message)		

3. Community Stakeholders – Arts and program specific groups (6 participants)			
Winnipeg Centra Global Market	400 Edmonton - https://www.directfarmmanitoba.ca/markets/winnipeg-central-global-market	winnipegcentralglobalmarket@gmail.com	(431)482-1822
Artbeat Studio	Studio 393 - 62 Albert St. http://artbeatstudio.ca/	contact@artbeatstudio.ca	204-943-5194
YMCA-YWCA of Winnipeg	301 Vaughan St.		204-298-0954
Thrive Community Support Circle	555 Spence St. - https://thrivecommunitysupportcircle.com/	resourcecentre@thrivewpg.com	204.774.2161
Mentoring Artists for Women's Art-MAWA	611 Main St. - https://mawa.ca	info@mawa.ca	204.949.9490
Art City	616 Broadway - https://artcityinc.com	info@artcityinc.com	(204) 775-9856
4. Community Stakeholders - Community Organizations (9 participants)			
End Homelessness Winnipeg	1075 Potage https://endhomelessnesswinnipeg.ca		204-942-8677
Independent Living Resource Centre	167 Lombard - https://ilrc.mb.ca/	thecentre@ilrc.mb.ca, robertm@ilrc.mb.ca	(204) 947-0194
BarNone Winnipeg (Prison Visiting Ride Share Program)	https://barnonewpg.org/	BarNone.WPG@gmail.com	204-599-8869
Main Street project	75 Martha St. - https://www.mainstreetproject.ca	admin@mainstreetproject.ca	204-982-8229
Klinic	167 Sherbrook St. - https://klinic.mb.ca/	communications@klinic.mb.ca	(204) 784-4090
Levi A. Foy Executive Director - Sunshine House	646 Logan Ave. - https://www.sunshinehousewpg.org	contact@sunshinehousewpg.org executivedirector@sunshinehousewpg.org	204.772.7260
West Central Women's Resource Centre - Mareike Brunelli	640 Ellice Ave. - https://wcwrc.ca	info@wcwrc.ca, Mareike@wcwrc.ca	(204) 774-8975
John Howard Society	583 Ellice Ave. - https://johnhoward.ca	sperrault@johnhoward.mb.ca	204.775.1514
RaY drop-in place	rayinc.ca	info@rayinc.ca	204-783-5617
5. Community Stakeholders - Community Organizations suggested by Working Group and Stakeholder groups			
Manitoba Association of Newcomer Serving Organizations (MANSO)	275 Portage Ave. #610 - https://mansomanitoba.ca/		204-272-0872
Winnipeg Indigenous Executive Circle (WIEC)	112-181 Higgins Ave. - http://www.abcouncil.org/wiec/		204-989-9380
Abilities Manitoba	1146 Waverley St. - https://www.abilitiesmanitoba.org/	info@abcentre.org	431-688-6108
Inclusion Winnipeg	120 Maryland St. - https://inclusionwinnipeg.org/	info@abilitiesmanitoba.org	204-786-1414
Community Safety House			
RRC School of Indigenous Education	https://www.rrc.ca/indigenous/	info@includsionwinnipeg.org	204-632-3773
Rainbow Resource Centre	545 Broadway - https://rainbowresourcecentre.org/		204-474-0212
Huddle	533 Broadway - https://huddlemanitoba.ca/		204-228-6387
Sunshine House	646 Logan Ave - https://www.sunshinehousewpg.org/	info@rainbowresourcecentre.org huddlebroadway@cmhawpg.mb.ca	204-783-8565
Nine Circles	705 Broadway - https://ninecircles.ca/	contact@sunshinehousewpg.org	204-940-6000
Manitoba Harm Reduction Network	83 Sherbrook - #206 - https://mhrn.ca/		204-783-6184
Street Connections	496 Hargrave - https://streetconnections.ca/		204-981-0742
6. Education			
University of Winnipeg			
Red River College			

University of Manitoba			204.474.8889
Booth University College			
IQRA SCHOOL		info@iqraschool.ca	204.615.1119
Sister MacNamara school		sistermac@wsd1.org	204.942.6965
Winnipeg adult education			
Salvation Army CFOT			(204) 924-5606
7. Economic Development			
West End Biz		info@westendbiz ca	204.954.7900
Downtown Biz			
Winnipeg Chamber of Commerce			
Economic Development WPG		wpginfo@edwinnipeg.com	204.954.1970
CentreVenture			
SEED Winnipeg			
8. Neighbouring Businesses			
Manitoba Hydro			
ATPN	https://www.aptn.ca/, 339 Portage Avenue	info@aptn.ca	
Investor's Group (IG)	447 Portage Ave. – https://www.ig.ca/en		1-888-746-6344
Air Canada	355 Portage Ave		1-888-247-2262

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	Group	Participant(s)	Contact Info	Phone
1	Spence Neighbourhood Association			
2	Immigration Partnership Winnipeg			
3	Social Planning Council			
4	Downtown Biz			
5	Graffiti Art Program			
6	Holy Trinity Church			
7	Downtown Community Safety Partnership			
8	Holy Names House of Peace			
9	Mosaic/Central Park			
10	Centreventure			
11	Indigenous Representative			
12	Downtown Resident (Condo Owner)			
13	Accessibility advocate - Canada Research Chair in Function and Health after Spinal Cord Injury			
14	End Homelessness Winnipeg CEO			
15	West Broadway Tenant Association			

Note: Participant identities and contact information have been removed or modified for the purposes of safeguarding their privacy and confidentiality.

APPENDIX I – WORKING GROUP COMMENTS

WORKING GROUP MEETING NOTES

DATES

- May 17, 2023
- June 22, 2023
- July 5, 2023

INTRODUCTION

The summary provided below outlines the key points from the working group meetings held between May 17th and July 5th. To ensure respondent anonymity and confidentiality, the notes have been edited, safeguarding individuals' privacy throughout this report. Furthermore, specific topic notes have also been adjusted for respondent anonymity while preserving transparency and respect while retaining the theme or intent of the comment.

The summary primarily focuses on the overall themes and general comments expressed by the working group throughout the public engagement process. Although numerous back-and-forth dialogues occurred during the meetings between the Public Engagement Team and the participants, these conversations have been limited in the summary to prioritize the comments and themes resonating from the working group's important input.

OVERVIEW OF COMMENTS MADE THROUGH WORKING GROUP AND FOCUS GROUP MEETINGS

The subsequent summary encapsulates key themes and topics discussed in the Working Group meetings, thoughtfully organized into relevant themes/categories for enhanced clarity and effective communication.

Engagement Process:
There was a strong emphasis on active and proactive public outreach, including involving local social, safety, and community organizations in the process. Participants expressed concerns about the established nature of the proposed design and felt frustrated that their input was sought after significant progress had been made. They emphasized the need for more concise communication about the purpose of public engagement and pre-established aspects of the design. Concerns were raised about past public engagement sessions at Portage Place conducted by other companies, and stakeholders expressed a desire for True North to exhibit a more robust commitment to listening and incorporating feedback. Survey results were analyzed, showing consistent rankings and comments from downtown residents. The Public Engagement Team presented the proposed methodology for redacting derogatory comments, and stakeholders agreed to proceed with redactions while providing an explanatory statement for transparency.

Healthcare Services:
Participants stressed the significance of mental health and counselling services in the proposed development. They also emphasized the need for accessible public washrooms and nearby safety services. There were suggestions to include various types of medical care in the new healthcare facilities to make them more inclusive and accommodating. Participants expressed concern about witnessing individuals experiencing mental health challenges on the streets without adequate assistance, and they hoped the new development would prioritize accessible support services.

Accessibility and Safety:
Safety and security were discussed, with an emphasis on the necessity of ethical and effective safety services and features in the development to ensure a safe environment.

Residential Component of Design:
Affordable housing was consistently brought up as a critical consideration by several participants throughout the meeting. They emphasized the importance of addressing affordable housing in the proposed development and requested dedicated assurances from the development team regarding this aspect.

Community, Social, and Cultural:
Participants highlighted the reputation of Portage Place among new Canadians as a place for information and community connections. They urged the new development to preserve an inclusive culture that fosters inter-community connections and avoids creating divisions among different social groups. The importance of economic services to support local entrepreneurs and grow new businesses was emphasized. Participants also suggested opportunities to honour significant local community members as part of the development. The incorporation of an extensive indigenous perspective in the design process was continually discussed, considering the significant urban indigenous population in Downtown Winnipeg and the developer's collaboration with the Hudson Bay project. Participants urged for the new Portage Place development to help retain some of the existing Arts, Community, Social, and Cultural tenants in the building.

Comments on the Proposed Survey:
Participants made suggestions to enhance survey accessibility, such as including pictures for users with lower communication abilities. They also provided feedback on the survey, identifying areas for improvement in terms of clarity and communication of survey choices. There were requests to emphasize topics related to Culture and Arts and community amenities more prominently in the survey.

MEETING 1 - SUMMARY – MAY 17,2023

Engagement Process:

- Concerns were raised about the extent of the proposed design's establishment or finalization.
- Participants were frustrated and felt as though the design was significantly advanced before their input was sought, leading to feelings of being unheard and an inefficient use of time.
- Stakeholders were informed about the Public Engagement Team's unawareness of the pre-established concept design prior to public release, and how the Health Centre component being relatively more solidified due to the need for consultations with all levels of government.
- Suggestion to involve other community groups, such as local social, safety, and community organizations to assist with the survey. Persons Community Solutions (PSC) hosts were recommended.
- Following the reiteration of the established Heath Centre component, there was an emphasis on more concise communication about the purpose of public engagement, its impact on the proposed development, and the pre-established aspects of the design.
- Strong emphasis on active and proactive public outreach, including visits to community groups and obtaining better public feedback.
- Concerns were raised about the previous Portage Place public engagement session conducted by other companies, with participants expressing frustration that their input had been neglected by developers. There is a strong desire for True North to exhibit a more robust commitment to actively listening and incorporating feedback compared to previous engagements at Portage Place.
- Importance of incorporating Indigenous design elements in the building structure/environment for inclusivity and a sense of place for the existing Indigenous community.

Healthcare Services:

- Participants stressed the significance of mental health and counselling services, acknowledging their inclusion in the proposed design.
- Emphasis on the need for public washrooms and nearby safety services.
- Suggestion to include various types of medical care in the new healthcare facilities to make it more inclusive and accessible.
- Concern was expressed about witnessing individuals experiencing mental health challenges outside without adequate assistance, hoping the new development will prioritize accessible support services.

Accessibility and Safety:

- Safety and security were discussed, with an emphasis on the necessity of ethical and effective safety services and features.

Residential Component of Design:

- Housing, particularly the provision of affordable housing, was consistently brought up by several participants. Participants emphasized the importance of the development team addressing affordable housing in the proposed development. They expressed that, with such a commitment, they would request dedicated assurances from the development team.
- Inquiries were made regarding the management of the building tenants in the residential component of the proposed development.

Community, Social, and Cultural:

- Participants highlighted Portage Place's reputation among new Canadians as a hub for information and community connections. They urge the new development to preserve an inclusive culture that cultivates inter-community connections and mitigates potential divisions among different social groups.
- Participants emphasized the importance of economic services to support local entrepreneurs and to grow new businesses.
- Participants suggest opportunities for the new development to honour significant local community members.

Comments on the Proposed Survey:

- Suggestions to enhance survey accessibility by including pictures for users with lower communication abilities.
- Feedback provided on the survey, identifying an opportunity to improve the clarity and communication of the survey choices.
- Participants' request to emphasize the topics of Culture and Arts and community amenities more within the survey.

MEETING 2 - SUMMARY – JUNE 22, 2023

Engagement Process:

- The project team shared how the in-person public engagement was successful in reaching lower-income demographic groups and engaging with the local downtown community.
- Concerns were raised again about the extent of the proposed design's establishment or finalization. Participants were still frustrated and felt as though the design was significantly advanced before their input was sought, leading to feelings of being unheard and an inefficient use of time.

Comments on the Survey:

- Permission from the stakeholder group was given regarding removing derogatory terms or references from survey responses. Transparency was also emphasized.
- Participants proposed reviewing and comparing survey responses from individuals outside the downtown community vs those who identify within, it was highlighted that it's important to include and consider all opinions.
- The project team offered to extend the survey deadline to gather more targeted input from certain demographic groups, participants proposed targeted outreach sessions during the first phase of engagement to gather additional feedback.

Community, Social, and Cultural:

- There were discussions about providing greater clarity regarding the programming and uses of the proposed community centre amenity space.
- Feedback was provided regarding the Arts and Culture section of the survey, suggesting the inclusion of more options for existing tenants and community organizations.

MEETING 3 - SUMMARY – JULY 5, 2023

Comments on the Survey:

- Survey results were analyzed, showing consistent rankings and comments from downtown residents. Three maps showcasing survey sample locations in Downtown Winnipeg were shared and well-received.
- The Public Engagement Team presented the proposed methodology for redacting derogatory comments, and stakeholders agreed to proceed with redactions while providing an explanatory statement for transparency.
- Uncomfortable comments from the survey were discussed, acknowledging an opportunity to further improve widespan education on acceptable language.

Engagement Process:

- The Working Group and the Public Engagement team collaborated in organizing Strategic Focus Group meetings to reach harder-to-reach demographics.
- Continuing to build relationships emerged as crucial, with stakeholders advocating for continued Public Engagement discussions.
- Upcoming timelines of the Public Engagement were again presented to stakeholders.
- Participants proposed for the development team to collaborate with other downtown businesses to ensure the proposed services and amenities do not overlap with other developments in the downtown area.
- The project team's utilization of the Persons Community Solutions hosts for the pop-up event was praised by stakeholders.
- Some participants requested more time to complete surveys.

Accessibility and Safety:

- The importance of accessibility, both in universal design and physical access, was discussed for any future Portage Place development.

Community, Social, and Cultural:

- Incorporating a more extensive indigenous perspective in the design process was again discussed, given the significant urban indigenous population in Downtown Winnipeg and True North's collaboration with the Hudson Bay project. The need for accurate indigenous data and perspectives was emphasized.

APPENDIX J – FOCUS GROUP COMMENTS

FOCUS GROUP MEETING NOTES

DATES

- July 13
- July 18
- July 19

INTRODUCTION

The summary provided below outlines the key points from the working group meetings held between July 13 - July 19. To ensure respondent anonymity and confidentiality, the notes have been edited, safeguarding individuals' privacy throughout this report. Furthermore, specific topic notes have also been adjusted for respondent anonymity while preserving transparency and respect while retaining the theme or intent of the comment.

The summary primarily focuses on the overall themes and general comments expressed by the Focus Groups throughout the public engagement process. Although numerous back-and-forth dialogues occurred during the meetings between the Public Engagement Team and the participants, these conversations have been limited in the summary to prioritize the comments and themes resonating from the working group's important input.

OVERVIEW OF COMMENTS MADE THROUGH WORKING GROUP AND FOCUS GROUP MEETINGS

The subsequent summary encapsulates key themes and topics discussed in the Focus Group meetings, thoughtfully organized into relevant themes/categories for enhanced clarity and effective communication.

Engagement Process:
Participants in all three meetings expressed enthusiasm for the proposed plans and emphasized the need to reach out to additional community groups. They highlighted the value of relationships, discussions, and solutions developed during the public engagement process, urging for continued collaboration beyond its conclusion.

Healthcare Services:
Mental health and counselling services were stressed as significant aspects of the proposed design. Participants requested the inclusion of various medical care options to ensure accessibility. Some participants also emphasized the importance of public consultation with downtown community health centers and the Manitoba Association of Community Health Centres as valuable resources.

Accessibility and Safety:
Safety and security were thoroughly discussed in all meetings, with an emphasis on ethical and effective safety measures. Participants emphasized the need for inclusivity in the new development and requested clarity on the physical accessibility of the design, including transit, specialty services, and parking. Incorporating Universal Design elements in the residential tower was suggested.

Residential Component of Design:
Affordable housing provision was a consistent topic across all meetings. Participants stressed the importance of addressing affordable housing and requested dedicated assurances from the development team. Inquiries were made about the management of building tenants and expressed a desire for family housing options.

Community, Social, and Cultural:
Participants highlighted Portage Place's reputation as a hub for community connections, urging the preservation of an inclusive culture that fosters inter-community connections. The need for affordable commercial spaces and stores catering to the local community was discussed, as well as the importance of retaining existing tenants. Participants also emphasized the significance of economic services to support local entrepreneurs and new businesses. Enhancing social connectivity through community programming and social spaces was agreed upon as crucial for the neighbourhood.

MEETING 1 – SUMMARY - JULY 13, 2023

Engagement Process:

- Participants suggested reaching out to additional community groups and provided the Public Engagement Team with a list of recommended groups.
- Many participants expressed their desire for the relationships, discussions, ideas, and solutions developed during the public engagement process to extend beyond its conclusion. They acknowledged the challenges facing Winnipeg's downtown and expressed inspiration by the relationships and collaborations fostered through the engagement process.

Healthcare Services:

- Participants stressed the significance of mental health and counselling services, acknowledging their inclusion in the proposed design.
- Suggestion to include various types of medical care in the new healthcare facilities to make it more inclusive and accessible.

Accessibility and Safety:

- Safety and security were discussed in depth, with an emphasis on the necessity of ethical and effective safety services and features.

Residential Component of Design:

- Housing, particularly the provision of affordable housing, was consistently brought up by several participants. Participants emphasized the importance of the development team addressing affordable housing in the proposed development. They expressed that, with such a commitment, they would request dedicated assurances from the development team.
- Inquiries were made regarding the management of the building tenants in the residential component of the proposed development.
- Some participants expressed a desire for family housing options within the development.

Community, Social, and Cultural:

- Participants highlighted Portage Place's reputation among new Canadians as a hub for information and community connections. They urge the new development to preserve an inclusive culture that cultivates inter-community connections and mitigates potential divisions among different social groups.
- Further discussion ensued regarding the need for affordable commercial spaces, both from the perspective of commercial tenants and the community. Participants emphasized the importance of stores providing affordable products to meet the everyday needs of the community. From the tenant's perspective, concerns were raised about the potential indirect eviction of existing tenants due to unaffordable rent. Participants also highlighted the importance of having commercial stores that cater to the local community.
- There were discussions about providing greater clarity regarding the programming and uses of the proposed community centre amenity space.
- Concerns were raised around the displacement and uprooting of the existing downtown communities.
- Participants emphasized the importance of economic services to support local entrepreneurs and to grow new businesses.

MEETING 2 - SUMMARY – JULY 18, 2023

Engagement Process:

- Participants expressed enthusiasm about the proposed plans, highlighting their excitement for the project.
- Participants suggested reaching out to additional community groups and provided the Public Engagement Team with a list of recommended groups.
- Many participants expressed their desire for the relationships, discussions, ideas, and solutions developed during the public engagement process to extend beyond its conclusion. They acknowledged the challenges facing Winnipeg's downtown and expressed inspiration by the relationships and collaborations fostered through the engagement process.

Healthcare Services:

- Participants stressed the significance of mental health and counselling services, acknowledging their inclusion in the proposed design.
- Participants emphasized the accessibility of the proposed medical clinic area for the downtown community.

Accessibility and Safety:

- Safety and security were discussed in depth, with an emphasis on the necessity of ethical and effective safety services and features.
- Participants discussed the importance of inclusivity in the new Portage Place development. Participants stressed the importance of creating an inclusive space.

Residential Component of Design:

- Housing, particularly the provision of affordable housing, was consistently brought up by several participants. Participants emphasized the importance of the development team addressing affordable housing in the proposed development. They expressed that, with such a commitment, they would request dedicated assurances from the development team.
- Inquiries were made regarding the management of the building tenants in the residential component of the proposed development.
- Some participants expressed a desire for family housing options within the development.

Community, Social, and Cultural:

- Participants highlighted Portage Place's reputation among new Canadians as a hub for information and community connections. They urge the new development to preserve an inclusive culture that cultivates inter-community connections and mitigates potential divisions among different social groups.
- Further discussion ensued regarding the need to retain some of the existing tenants at Portage Place.
- Discussions centred around social and entertainment spaces, including the need for affordable social and entertainment options.
- Suggestions were made for extensive community programming organized by social groups to enhance the sense of community in the new development.
- Overall, participants agreed on the importance of cultivating a sense of community and enhancing social connectivity in the neighbourhood through the new development.

MEETING 3 - SUMMARY – JULY 19, 2023

Engagement Process:

- Participants expressed enthusiasm about the proposed plans, highlighting their excitement for the project.
- Participants suggested reaching out to additional community groups and provided the Public Engagement Team with a list of recommended groups.

Healthcare Services:

- Participants stressed the significance of mental health and counselling services, acknowledging their inclusion in the proposed design.
- Participants emphasized the accessibility of the proposed medical clinic area for the downtown community.
- Some participants expressed the need for additional public consultation with downtown community health centers, highlighting their valuable insights in shaping the medical facility portion of the proposed development. The Manitoba Association of Community Health Centres was mentioned as a good resource.

Accessibility and Safety:

- Safety and security were discussed in depth, with an emphasis on the necessity of ethical and effective safety services and features, echoing previous conversations.
- Participants discussed the importance of inclusivity in the new Portage Place development. Participants stressed the importance of creating an inclusive space.
- Participants requested clarity on the physical accessibility of the proposed design, focusing on transit and specialty service accessibility, and adequate parking.
- It was suggested that the residential tower should incorporate Universal Design elements to maintain accessibility.

Residential Component of Design:

- Housing, particularly the provision of affordable housing, was consistently brought up by several participants. Participants emphasized the importance of the development team addressing affordable housing in the proposed development. They expressed that, with such a commitment, they would request dedicated assurances from the development team.

Community, Social, and Cultural:

- Overall, participants agreed on the importance of cultivating a sense of community and enhancing social connectivity in the neighbourhood through the new development.