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**FINAL**

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 Knight Foundation OTT Akron YOUTH Online Survey  
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***Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.***

1. Looking ahead to the next five years or so, do you feel more hopeful or more worried about what the future holds for your community?

More hopeful..... 56 [108]  
 More worried..... 44

2. Listed here are several statements. For each one, please indicate how much you agree or disagree.

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT AGREE*

	<b>Total Agree</b>	<b>Total Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Agree</b>	<b>Somewhat Agree</b>	<b>Somewhat Disagree</b>	<b>Strongly Disagree</b>	
Residents have shared goals and priorities for our community .....	<b>67</b>	<b>33</b>	14	53	26	7	[111]
My community provides opportunities for everyone .....	<b>64</b>	<b>36</b>	15	49	27	9	[110]
My community is the perfect place for people like me .....	<b>55</b>	<b>45</b>	10	45	32	13	[109]

3. Which THREE of these issues do you think are the most important issues facing youth that you would like your community to address? *Select three issues.*

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE*

Drug use/addiction .....	62	[112-113]
Racism and discrimination .....	40	>
Bullying.....	33	
Violence and gangs.....	32	
Teen pregnancy .....	24	
LGBTQ issues.....	22	
Hungry families .....	19	
Jobs for teens.....	16	
Quality of schools.....	15	
Lack of parent involvement .....	15	
Dating violence.....	9	
Treatment of immigrants .....	9	
After school activities .....	4	

4. Thinking more broadly about issues affecting our local community, which ONE of the following issues in our local community concerns you the most? *Select one*

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Drugs and addiction .....	45	[114]
Equity and social inclusion (e.g., discrimination based on race, gender, sexual orientation, or something else) .....	20	
Public safety and the judicial system (e.g., crime, police, courts, prisons).....	13	
Economic issues and poverty (e.g., unemployment, income inequality) .....	10	
Education and youth development.....	8	
Aging senior population issues .....	4	

5. Below is a list of ways youth can get involved in addressing issues and challenges facing their community. Please select the THREE ways you would be most interested in getting involved

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE*

Participate in a volunteer service event (e.g., clean-up day, build day, feed the hungry) in my community .....	45	
Participate in a volunteer project at my school or in my classroom .....	41	[115]
Join a youth volunteer program .....	34	>
Attend a rally or march on an issue that is important to me.....	33	
Volunteer with youth from different parts of the greater Akron region to address issues affecting the region .....	33	
Volunteer with my family (parents and children together) in my community .....	25	
Write letters to elected officials or the local newspaper on an issue that is important to me .....	25	
I am not interested in getting involved in any of these ways.....	19	

**FACTUALS: These final questions are for statistical purposes only.**

- F1. Are you...?

Male.....	44	[116]
Female .....	54	
A gender identity not listed here .....	2	

- F2. How old are you?

Under age 10.....	-	[117-118]
10 .....	1	
11 .....		
12 .....	-	
13 .....	1	
14 .....	55	
15 .....	22	
16 .....	7	
17 .....	10	
18 .....	4	
19 or older .....	-	

F3a. For statistical purposes, are you from a Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background?

Yes, from Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background .....	10	[119]
No, not from Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background .....	90	

F3b. Are you...?

White .....	45	[120]
Black/African American .....	31	
Asian .....	10	
Other .....	5	
Biracial or multiracial .....	9	