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***Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.
Percentages for each question are based on the total number of respondents who answered the question.***

2. How old are you?

Under age 18	-	TERMINATE	[110-111]
18-24.....	10		
25-29.....	9		
30-34.....	8		
35-39.....	9		
40-44.....	8		
45-49.....	9	CONTINUE	
50-54.....	10		
55-59.....	12		
60-64.....	10		
65-69.....	7		
70-74.....	5		
75 or older.....	3		

3. 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.....	68	[112]
More worried.....	32	

4. 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

	<u>Total Agree</u>	<u>Total Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly Agree</u>	<u>Somewhat Agree</u>	<u>Somewhat Disagree</u>	<u>Strongly Disagree</u>	
The area in which I live has a strong sense of community	82	18	31	51	14	4	[113]
My community is changing for the better	78	22	23	55	18	4	[114]
Residents have shared goals and priorities for our community	72	28	20	52	22	6	[116]
My community provides opportunities for everyone	63	37	15	48	29	8	[115]

5. Do you think people in your community are more united or more divided when it comes to addressing important goals and challenges?

Much more united.....	12	[117]
Somewhat more united.....	53	
Somewhat more divided.....	29	
Much more divided.....	6	
Total United	65	
Total Divided	35	

6. How involved are you in community and neighborhood activities where you live?

Very involved.....	25	[118]
Somewhat involved.....	47	
Not too involved.....	22	
Not at all involved.....	6	
Total Very/Somewhat Involved	72	

7. Which THREE of these issues do you think are the most important for your community to address? Please select your top three issues as #1, #2, and #3 in order of importance. If you are taking the survey on a computer, please move your top three issues over to the boxes labeled #1, #2, and #3

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE OF FIRST CHOICE

	<u>First Choice</u>	<u>Combined Top Two Choices</u>	<u>Combined Top Three Choices</u>	
Poverty, economic security, and upward economic mobility ..	14	26	38	[119-120]
Crime, violence, and public safety.....	14	24	34	>
Drug and alcohol addiction.....	13	25	37	
Good-paying jobs and economic development.....	13	25	36	
Housing issues (e.g., affordable housing, reducing homelessness).....	10	17	24	
Early childhood development (e.g., affordable child care, early childhood education).....	8	15	21	
Local public and charter schools.....	6	12	17	
Affordable healthcare.....	5	13	20	
Social justice issues (e.g., equality, civil rights, police-involved violence, incarceration).....	5	12	19	
Race relations, racism, and racial discrimination.....	5	11	17	
Reducing hunger and food insecurity.....	3	8	13	
Environmental issues (e.g., air, water).....	2	4	7	
Public transportation.....	1	3	6	
The treatment of immigrants in our community.....	1	2	5	
Parks and recreational areas.....	-	2	5	

8. How much impact do you think people like you can have in making your community a better place to live?

A big impact.....	46	[121]
A moderate impact.....	39	
A small impact.....	14	
No impact at all.....	1	
Total Big/Moderate Impact	85	

9. Which TWO or THREE of the following groups do you think are having the greatest impact on making your community a better place to live? *Select up to three.*

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Nonprofits and community organizations.....	59	[122]
Residents in your community.....	54	>
Churches, synagogues, mosques, and faith communities.....	38	
Employers and the business community	31	
Public school teachers and leaders	30	
Local government	29	
Youth in your community	18	
News media.....	10	

10. Changing topics now, please indicate which of the following apply to you as they relate to your *On the Table* experience. Select all that apply

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The conversation helped me better understand how I can take action to help address issues and challenges in my community	64	[123]
I spoke with at least one person that I did not already know.....	62	>
I learned about important issues in my community	56	
I exchanged contact information with at least one person that I did not already know.....	25	
None of these applies to me	4	

11. How likely are you to take specific actions or next steps regarding an issue or solution discussed at the *On the Table* conversation you participated in?

Very likely	43	[124]
Somewhat likely.....	46	
Not too likely.....	9	
Not at all likely	2	
Total Very/Somewhat Likely	89	

12. What are some specific actions you plan to take as a result of your conversation?

What did you learn that will help you take steps to make your community a better place to live? Please be as specific as you can. []

[PLEASE REFER TO VERBATIM DOCUMENT]

A1. Did you discuss any of the following issues at the *On the Table* conversation you recently attended? *Select all that apply.*

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Education and youth development	57	[308]
Economic issues and poverty (e.g., unemployment, income inequality)	55	>
Equity and social inclusion (e.g., discrimination based on race, gender, sexual orientation, or something else)	43	
Drugs and addiction	38	
Public safety and the judicial system (e.g., crime, police, courts, prisons)	24	

A2. Did the topics of race, racism, or racial discrimination come up in your *On the Table* conversation?

Yes	49	[309]
No.....	51	

A3. How much of a problem is racism and racial discrimination in your community today?

A very major problem	24	[310]
A fairly major problem.....	45	
A minor problem	26	
Not a problem.....	5	
Total Major Problem	69	

A4. For each of the issues below, please indicate the degree to which you feel there are opportunities for you personally to get involved in addressing that issue. Do you feel there are...?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY MANY OPPORTUNITIES

	Many Opportunities For Me To <u>Get Involved</u>	Some Opportunities For Me To <u>Get Involved</u>	Very Few Opportunities For Me To <u>Get Involved</u>	No Opportunities For Me To <u>Get Involved</u>	I Don't Know If There Are Opportunities For Me To <u>Get Involved</u>	
Education and youth development.....	40	40	12	2	6	[314]
Equity and social inclusion (e.g., discrimination based on race, gender, sexual orientation, or something else)	23	43	20	4	10	[312]
Drugs and addiction	23	37	22	6	12	[313]
Economic issues and poverty (e.g., unemployment, income inequality)	22	42	22	4	10	[311]
Public safety and the judicial system (e.g., crime, police, courts, prisons)	16	33	30	6	15	[315]

A5. Please indicate whether there was discussion at your *On the Table* conversation about any actionable solutions to address the five issues listed below. *Select all that apply.*

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Yes, there was discussion of actionable solutions to address education and youth development issues	55		
Yes, there was discussion of actionable solutions to address economic issues and poverty	52		[316]
Yes, there was discussion of actionable solutions to address equity and social inclusion issues	45	CONTINUE	>
Yes, there was discussion of actionable solutions to address drugs and addiction issues	31		
Yes, there was discussion of actionable solutions to address public safety and the judicial system issues	23		
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No, there were no discussions of actionable solutions for any of these issues.....	4	Skip to Q.A7	

(ASK ONLY RESPONDENTS WHO SAY “YES” IN Q.A5.)

A6. Please list one actionable solution that was discussed at your *On the Table* conversation. As thoroughly as possible, please describe the issue and the solution to it that your group talked about. [581-589]

Talk about drug addiction, drug education, bring addicts to talk to students	7
Promote more education, motivate the kids, take them to visit local universities	6
More community involvement, reach out to community leaders	5
Get people the help, the information they need, educate people	5
Mentoring high school kids, to help them with studies, career	5
Seek information, share, disseminate information, find a platform where parents can get information	4
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Don't know, no response	1%

A7. What is your relationship to the Akron Community Foundation? Please select all that apply.

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I have attended one of their events	39	[317]
I have seen their publications and/or press releases.....	31	>
I am a grantee (my organization has received funds from the Akron Community Foundation) .	14	
I am a donor to the Akron Community Foundation or one of its funds.....	7	
I am a Donor Advised Fund holder or Agency Endowment Fund holder	2	
Other	10	
None of these--I have no relationship, I had not heard of the Akron Community Foundation before <i>On the Table</i>	35	

13. How likely are you to take part in an *On the Table* conversation again next year?

Very likely	71	[143]
Somewhat likely.....	24	
Not too likely.....	4	
Not at all likely	1	
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Total Very/Somewhat Likely	95	

14. Did you participate in an *On the Table* conversation last year?

Yes	38	[144]
No.....	62	

15. Are you interested in receiving e-mail communications from the Akron Community Foundation about how to get involved in community issues and events?

Yes	51	[145]
No.....	49	

FACTUALS: These final questions are for statistical purposes only.

F1. Are you...?

Male.....	31	[146]
Female	69	
A gender identity not listed here	-	

F2. What is the last grade that you completed in school?

High school graduate, GED, or less education	15	[147]
Vocational training, 2-year college degree, or some college	22	
4-year college or bachelor's degree	30	
Postgraduate coursework or degree.....	33	

F3. Are you the parent or guardian of any children under age 18?

Yes	30	[148]
No.....	70	

F4. Thinking about elections for local offices in your community (such as for mayor, city council, and county council), would you say you vote in ...?

Every local election.....	50	[149]
Most local elections	27	
About half of the local elections	6	
Less than half of the local elections..	3	
Few local elections	6	
Do not vote in local elections.....	8	

F6a. For statistical purposes, are you from a Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background?

Yes, from Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background.....	3	[151]
No, not from Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish-speaking background	97	

F6b. Are you...?

White	71	[152]
Black/African American	23	
Asian	1	
Other	3	
Biracial or multiracial	2	