



Crofton Community Survey Results

REPORT TO THE CCA BOARD

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Introduction

There were 283 completed surveys submitted online and in paper form. Not everyone answered all the questions; hence, the “respondents” for the individual data below are based on those who responded to that question. When the number of respondents is not cited, the data are from all submitted surveys.

Public Safety

Crofton PD Performance – Of 275 respondents, 66% said they have seen CPD patrolling their neighborhood, and 34% said they have not. Of 272 respondents, 16% feel that the safety patrol coverage of their neighborhood is Excellent, 46% said Good, 25.5% said Fair, and 12.5% said Poor.

Of 275 respondents, 76% said that they have seen the CPD enforcing traffic, and 24% said they had not. Of 272 respondents, 15% said that CPD traffic enforcement was Excellent, 46% said it was Good, 27% said Fair, and 12% said it was Poor.

Of 271 respondents, 69% felt that, overall, the CPD is keeping the CSCBD safe, while 18% had no opinion on the matter, and just 13% thought that the CPD is not keeping the CSCBD safe.

Crofton PD Services – 30% of residents reported being aware that CPD provides home security checks. 47% are aware that CPD does wellness checks. Less than 4% were aware that the CPD can sign off on vehicle repair order tickets.

Of 275 respondents, 77% were aware of CPD’s Community Outreach Programs and 23% were not. Of those respondents, 41% wanted to see more community outreach programs, 43% wanted to keep the programs the same, 11% had no opinion, and only 5% wanted to see fewer community outreach programs.

Crofton PD Staffing – Regarding CPD staffing, there were 255 respondents:

- 38% felt that we should maintain our police force at five officers;
- 16% felt that we should add one officer to extend coverage from 7:00 PM to midnight, five days a week;
- 20% felt that we should add two officers to extend coverage to include some weekend or overnight patrols;
- 20% felt that we should have 24/7 coverage, which may require three or four new officers; and
- 6% selected “Other”

The majority of other comments wanted us to keep the force at five officers, but change scheduling to include weekend and overnight shifts. Three folks said to get rid of the entire police force.

Grounds Maintenance

Hardy Field – 25% of 273 respondents reported having visited Hardy Field.

Picnic Shelter – Of 81 respondents, 24% said they would make use of a shelter and grill at Swann Park, 44% said they would not, and 32% responded that they had no opinion.

Grounds Maintenance – Of 181 respondents, 33% felt that the CCA’s ground maintenance was Excellent, 60% said Good, 7% said Fair, and less than 1% said Poor (in fact, just one person picked “Poor”).

Use of the Forest Reserve – Regarding the installation of a walking path around the forest reserve, there were 185 respondents:

- 52% selected yes, put the path in. When the forest matures, it will be a great place to take a walk.
- 33% selected, no, leave the growing forest to the animals and let it grow wild.
- 15% had no opinion on the matter.

Cherry Trees – 202 responded to the question regarding the Yoshino cherry tree planting program.

- 64% think this is a good idea and should be continued as planned.
- 22% believe this is a great idea but pick up the pace and add more to the annual budget to get it done faster.
- 8% had no opinion on the matter.
- 6% said that they are not fond of the idea and don't think it should be a priority.

Parkway Benches – Regarding the placement of benches around Crofton Parkway, there were 273 respondents. 71% supported this program, while 17% said no, and 12% had no opinion.

Communications

E-Advocate – Of 278 respondents, 76% reported receiving the E-Advocate, and 24% said they did not. 86% of respondents who said they receive the E-Advocate reported reading it.

The Advocate – Of 271 respondents, 88% recall receiving the Advocate in the last year, while 12% don't recall receiving it. 92% of the respondents who recall receiving the Advocate report reading it.

Of 266 respondents, 47% said they would like to see the Advocate move to an e-book format, while 29% said no, they would not, and 24% had no opinion. (Note: The analyst observed that the "No's" largely came from retired people over 65 years old, and many of them are the same folks not receiving the E-Advocate.)

Email – Of 270 respondents, 57% reported receiving email messages from the CSCBD, while 43% did not. Of 187 respondents, 43% always read email messages from the CSBD, 36% usually read them, 6% read them sometimes, and 15% do not read them. Of 164 respondents, 96% said that the quantity of email messages from the CSCBD is about right, while 4% said that messages were too frequent.

CCA Website – Regarding use of croftoncommunity.org, there were 269 respondents, of which 4% visited the site weekly, 12% visited the site in the last month, 38% visited the site in the previous year, and less than 1% visited the site daily. 45% have never visited the website.

Of 154 folks who have used the website, 15% said they always find what they are looking for, 47% said they usually find it, 27% sometimes find it, and 11% said they don't find what they are looking for. Of 146 respondents, 78% reported that the website was easy to navigate, and 22% said it was not.

CCA Advocacy & Covenants

Advocacy – Of 273 respondents, 54% were aware of our advocacy programs, and 46% were not. Of 260 respondents, 67% said they have never been to a CCA meeting, and 33% said they had.

Covenants – When asked if the current covenants provide sufficient protection for residents, 37% of 254 respondents said yes, 22% said no, and 41% were not sure. Asked if the cost of moving to a single set of universal covenants was worth it, 66% of 225 respondents said no, and 34% said yes. When asked if they believe that current covenant enforcement is adequate, out of 250 respondents:

- 31 % said yes,

- 28% said no, the CCA should be more aggressive in its enforcement,
- 4% said no, the CCA should be less aggressive in its enforcement,
- 37% said that they were unsure, and
- Less than 1% said no.

Of 243 respondents, slightly less than 8% had ever been party to a covenant complaint.

Recreation

The CCA currently produces 20 community events each year, which include eight summer concerts. Of the current programs, we learned the following:

CCA Event	Like	Disklike	No Opinion	Respondents
Easter Egg Hunt	68%	4%	28%	257
Cherry Blossom Festival	75%	3%	22%	258
Crofton Salutes Our Heroes Banners	81%	0%	19%	248
Armed Forces/First Responders Parade	74%	2%	24%	254
Crofton Pie Bake-off	44%	3%	53%	242
Summer Concert Series	74%	2%	24%	254
Ice Cream Social	66%	2%	32%	246
Crofton Dog Show	46%	4%	50%	245
Chili Cook-off	48%	2%	50%	244
Crofton P.D. Trunk-or-Treat	72%	2%	26%	247
Backyard Party (after Halloween Parade)	63%	2%	35%	243
Flags for Heroes (at Lake Louise)	75%	5%	20%	260
Holiday Tree Lighting/Santa Visit	85%	1%	14%	252

In 2024, the CCA hosted a series of special events for the 60th Anniversary program. These programs were well attended, so we asked in the survey if any of them should become annual events.

Prospective Event	Yes	No	No Opinion	Respondents
Kidz Fest	26%	8%	66%	268
Summer Concert Festival (full day)	34%	8%	58%	268
Octoberfest ("Croftoberfest")	30%	9%	61%	267
Crofton Golf Outing	16%	14%	70%	269

General Comments

Q (66) Do you have any ideas, suggestions, or comments that you would like to share with the CCA Board and the CSCBD staff?

1. Better enforcement of crosswalks. Too many people speed through when walkers/people are in them.
2. I have lived here since 1977, and while many things have changed, it's still a great community, especially for families, and I would recommend Crofton to anyone.
3. Would love to see Village Green revitalized with a restaurant the community could enjoy!
4. Covenant Enforcement? Are you kidding/ School bus speeding. I am offended by flags such as upside-down flags or others with a political message, such as the "Don't tread on me" one.
5. No, the Board and staff appear to do a very good job under the resource circumstances allowed. Thanks.
6. (Re: Covenant Enforcement) Found my situation was being talked about at a neighborhood senior center, so much for privacy.
7. As the world and people get crazier, I think Crofton should still strive to maintain a small-town vibe. We can't seem to control zoning and other issues beyond our boundary, but it would behoove us to do our best to improve our part of the county. The county doesn't help us much!
8. Thank you for making the triangle a wonderful place to live!
9. Have Crofton police patrol the ridiculous parking violations at Creative Gardens.
10. Stop placing large signs (and allowing others) in the median in front of the Prince of Peace Church. It blocks line of sight for Parkway traffic trying to make a left turn onto Crawford Blvd. when coming North on that part of Crofton Parkway.
11. Noise ordinance violations + runners/bikers/walkers on the wrong side of street/middle of street + no reflective gear.
12. Speeding cars. We need a mailbox back at the Village Green! Campers parked along the parkway that never move & we can't see around.
13. Crofton inside the triangle remains a wonderful place to live, but keep tabs on crime and slow down the speeders.
14. To suggest that there is any covenant enforcement today is downright silly.
15. No chicken coops; more logic in what should make CBCBD a real community again!
16. Soooo many wonderful & memorable events, programs, & parts of everyday life that make raising a family here very special!
17. I really wish we had NO parking of commercial vehicles on our streets. The boats, campers & trailers look awful & create blind spots for drivers and make our community look trashy.
18. I congratulate your hard work and provision of so many community events.
19. We moved here in 1975 & were never given a copy of the covenants. We found most from our neighbors!

20. We love living in the CSCBD with all of its 1960s hometown feel. We are thankful for everyone's hard work! Also, no one knows what CSCBD stands for. Please write out Crofton Special Community Benefit District at the beginning of this publication. Thanks.
21. Keep up the good work!
22. Covenants need to be upgraded to the times, i.e., businesses from home ok, line drying in backyards ok, etc.
23. Doing business from a residential home that requires clients or customers to come to the house regularly should be prohibited.
24. I have lived in Crofton for 33 years. The first year, our car was stolen from our driveway, but everything since has been fine! Now at 94, I feel it is a great place to live. Since I only hope to be here a little longer, I'm not asking for any changes! My husband, John Walker, was Citizen of the Year about 10 years ago!
25. Not enforcing covenants affects all of our property value
26. Please enforce the illegal parking of campers, boats, trailers, and commercial vehicles on the Parkway, Layton, etc.
27. I support a move to limit the use of Crofton streets for the storage of RVs, trailers, boats, etc., and food trucks
28. We need more enforcement of noise violations, cars (vehicles with expired tags stored on streets)
29. Frankly, I'm unaware of any covenant enforcement in my neighborhood ever!
30. Marty Mows does an excellent job of maintaining the Crofton Common corners of 424 and Farlow.
31. Thank you for volunteering your time.
32. Keep up the good work!
33. "I really like the notion of this survey and am grateful for you putting it out here. However, the format is not very user-friendly..."
34. 1. It does not depict how lengthy it is
35. 2. Navigation back/forth is cumbersome, 1 page at a time
36. 3. Must complete all in one sitting... means to "save" and return to it later
37. Would also like to be able to "Print" off a copy of the queries and my responses (there MAY be this option, but it does not appear to be)."
38. Do away with the covenants altogether...they are outdated (such as shed approval, no clotheslines, etc.). The covenants aren't being enforced, so just get rid of them. I'd rather see some enforcement done with the commercial vehicles and recreational vehicles parked all along the Parkway.
39. Thanks for all you do! We feel lucky every day that we get to live in this wonderful community.
40. I applaud the attempts to clear Crofton Parkway of RV vehicles, huge trucks and cabs, " abandoned" boats, and other unsightly vehicles. Also, some are appearing on side streets, making it very dangerous to drive on the streets. There's a truck with a hitch parked on Eton Way with a Texas license plate that is obviously a work vehicle that hasn't moved in years, making it dangerous to pass in order to drive up or down the street. The streets aren't wide enough to accommodate these types of vehicles. Also, when

coming to the stop sign on Duke of Kent, either to make a right or a left... is it one lane or two? If two, then how about painting a lane line (for lack of any other term)? People making a right are so intent on turning left alongside someone waiting their turn to make a left, that they rarely stop and aren't looking for people trying to cross the street, nor anyone making a turn at the Parkway. A lane line would be helpful

41. Provide more traffic coverage on the parkway. Vehicles are still using the community as a cut-through to bypass Route 3 traffic. Also, with 4 schools very close and our beautiful parkway, many kids and residents are out walking or on bikes. The speeds of vehicles and non-residents pose a significant safety issue.
42. Well, I am still puzzled to hear that there is a "Willows" park. Somehow, after living here for 47 years, I had never heard of such a park. Be nice to know exactly where it is.
43. Stop the county from granting parade/activity permits to non-CCA-supported organizations.
44. "Get the commercial vehicles off of Parkway, particularly between Duke of Kent and the main entrance to Crofton. For the past year, there has been a skimobile trailer holding two skimobiles on it, and it extends way too far into the middle of the road. Why is vehicle storage allowed along Crofton Parkway?
45. Have housing additions in FRONT of houses require architectural approval so design is consistent with neighborhood architecture. How the large contemporary addition to the front of house on the corner of Ellsworth and Eton Way ever got approved is beyond me. Cannot believe the plans were approved by anybody. It is an eyesore, given the design and materials used. If they had at least put in the traditional colonial style windows, that would have helped it to blend in more."
46. Thank you for this survey and for doing a great job! If you need me on any committee, please let me know. I don't have strong opinions or expertise, but I love Crofton and am willing to help as needed.
47. Keep up the improvements. Thanks.
48. Thanks for helping make our community safe.
49. Our community is very popular with people who don't live here and don't honestly take care of the community. We need to reduce commercial solicitations, signage, and vehicles parked along our roads that create blind spots and excess traffic. More speeding enforcement.
50. Trailer parked unhitched on Urby near the corner of Good Hope has not moved in over 12 months. No license visible. One flat tire. The cover is now rotting. Please remove.
51. The Police Department should be relocated to a separate, secure facility within the triangle. Residents lack private, accessible means of discussing private police matters with our PD. It's past time to get them out of the basement!
52. The growing eyesore of trailers, RVs, jet skis, etc., on the parkway is awful. It's like driving through a junkyard to get to homes. I don't understand why they're allowed to stay, unmoved, for months.
53. "I've already described my concerns about traffic in a previous section.
54. Thank you for making the survey available in the first place!"
55. "Cars moving along Crofton Parkway early in the morning is crazy, with cars exceeding the speed limit. As a regular walker around 5:30 AM, I am very aware of speeders and people blowing through stop signs."
56. Not at the moment.

57. Advocate with the county for a Crofton senior center; the O'Malley center in Odenton is great but something closer and more central would really be a benefit to the community, especially if the building could be shared with a broader community center to provide programming and resources for the entire population.
58. I definitely appreciate having the police force in Crofton. We also appreciate the advocacy within the greater Crofton area. Crofton is a great place to live and raise a family. I'd like to see it stay that way. Thanks for all you do to maintain the community.
59. I would like to thank all those who work & volunteer their time to help make & keep Crofton a great & safe place to live & to raise a family. Thanks to all!
60. Please begin the Swann Park renovation as soon as you possibly can. I will gladly volunteer to help with the work involved, and I know several other parents would do the same.
61. As the general manager of another SCBD community with its own set of bylaws and rules and regs, I believe it is imperative to have consistent and enforceable covenants. I am no lawyer, but I would also assume it significantly increases liability. I would suggest a phased-in approach that addresses definable areas of priority in sequence over a number of years, which would allow for a more tolerable budget increase.
62. "Keep up the good work and thank you for all you do! ... please ask the golf course to clean up the edges and sidewalks around their property. Ask them to fix fences, please rejuvenate the old country club tennis courts (maybe CCA could take over them, renovate, and make them accessible to CCA residents), and hold the country club accountable and fine if necessary. Their property edges look horrible!
63. Thank you!!"
64. Stop wasting our tax money.
65. Only my previous free response
66. There are homes scattered within the triangle that have been in a state of serious disrepair for an extended period. They have become eyesores and are undoubtedly dragging down surrounding property values. For example, homes with junked cars, badly deteriorated driveways, teetering retaining walls, and overgrown/unattended lawns. Is the CCA monitoring such properties and tracking these cases aggressively enough so they don't persist? Does the CCA have adequate resources to do so?
67. "Thanks for this opportunity
68. I would like to be considered for the Board."
69. I may want to get involved again when I retire in a few years.
70. Thanks for all that you do to make it a great community!
71. None
72. "For the cherry tree plan, why not ask current owners if they can take the suckers and put them in pots and donate them to residents to use. Saved \$195 per tree, and may allow us to expand faster without additional cost.
73. I had no idea about the covenants. Like, no idea they existed. I moved to a nice community without an HOA that controlled what I built and what colors I used, and I'm now very concerned about these covenants."

74. Although I understand public outreach through community events, in my opinion, the vast majority of your efforts should be dedicated to public safety and law enforcement.
75. Police are doing great. It would be very beneficial to put in speed bumps AND a speed camera on the parkway between the country club and Duke of Kent (going towards the elementary school from the country club. Our cars have been hit several times, and our kids cannot play outside because of the cut-through drivers from 3, trying to save time, which exceeds 45mph at times.
76. Please do something about the excessive cars, trailers, trucks, etc., that park long-term on the parkway!
77. Better utilization of the Village Green should be studied. Once the heart of the community, it's now an unknown area to newer homeowners.
78. You all are wonderful, but have a tough job. Thanks for all you do, and thank you for allowing the opportunity to offer feedback. When my children are a bit older, I promise to serve :) We love living in the Triangle!!
79. Yes, I'm not sure what area this falls into, but we live on Harcourt Avenue and backyards on both sides of this street face the Crofton Country Club golf course. While the Country Club is in many ways a good neighbor, many of the golfers who use the course are not. My children often hear golfers yelling obscenities, and our neighbors across the street have had many instances of golfers urinating in their backyards. If the CCA could open a dialogue with the Crofton Country Club and advocate for residents on this issue, it would be much appreciated.
80. i know it is a hard job- please keep up the good work and stay vigilant to make Crofton safe.
81. We no longer live in Crofton but still have a rental property there. So we are still interested in what happens in Crofton.
82. Covenant rewrite should include townhomes and condos instead of each neighborhood having a separate enforcement arm. The goal should be one Crofton. The rewrite should address real issues, not the color of the shutters or whether someone has a Winter wreath on their door after March 1st.
83. Crofton needs a community center
84. I really appreciate this survey. As I mentioned, I've lived here for decades. I've never seen anything like this before. It was informative and inquisitive at the same time. I doubt many people understand the organizations that oversee and support the Crofton community. This type of education needs to be repeated over and over again. Thank you for taking the time and effort to put this together.
85. Pass regulations to keep people from using the Parkway and neighborhood streets as storage for recreational vehicles and trailers
86. "If you are going to change any covenants, consider banning on-street parking. The community is ridiculous with all the vehicles on the street. It's embarrassing. Otherwise, great job on the community!!"
87. We need to stop the planned stream renovation project behind our homes. We lost half of our trees for that pumping station and now they want to take the rest down and make us see and hear every vehicle on Route 3. This is not fair to the people who live here. We need to stop it, and by we, I mean you all. Apparently, the CCA is the owner of the land and the only one who can stop it.
88. "Thanks for the survey and the request for input. I have "retired" from community service after putting in over 18 years on the board of directors. I applaud the work of the members of the board. It is often thankless (or worse), and yet necessary.

- 89. Thanks to all of you, specifically including the town hall staff."
- 90. Speed regulating humps on Crofton Parkway from Walleye Dr. to Waldorf Ct. I have witnessed reckless driving in this area.
- 91. Keep up the good work!
- 92. "Keeping gutters in front of houses clear to avoid drainage flooding/ water overflow in the streets.
- 93. Maintaining yards/lawns. No parking boats/RVs on streets.
- 94. Make Crofton a gated community only available and accessible to residents, which will increase safety and keep bad people out.
- 95. What I would love to see (unless it is already there and I am unaware of it) is a walking path that would allow one to walk from the parkway to the shopping area at the corner of 424 and 3 (the shopping area with the Giant supermarket). It seems crazy that there would be no such connection between areas that are so close together.

Public Safety Written Comments

(Q2) Do you feel that safety patrol coverage of your neighborhood is:

1. – Poor, Only poor due to limited resources.

(Q4) Do you feel that traffic enforcement within the CSCBD is...

1. Don't know- just because I do not see it does not mean it is not happening.

(Q13) Do you believe that, overall, the CSCBD is being kept safe by the Crofton PD?

1. No opinion- But maybe statistics say it does.

(Q14) It cost approximately \$200,000 to hire and outfit a single police officer. That translates to roughly \$77 in new taxes per CSCBD household in the first year (including the cost of a new cruiser) and \$50 in new taxes per CSCBD household each year thereafter. Do you believe...

2. (Other)

I believe the Chief of Police should have the authority to increase the number of officers and hours they work. He's in a better position than I to determine community needs.

3. I believe that two more officers would be ideal, but that tax-wise, some might not want to go that way.
4. Most car thefts occur overnight. Daytime hours I feel secure, but overnight I am concerned.
5. Rotate the existing five officers for full coverage (include nights and weekends).
6. The more police presence, the better, in my opinion. I wholeheartedly support them, and we need them in our lives.
7. Change shift hours so most are at night rather than daylight hours.
8. I rarely observe Crofton PD officers do anything except manage traffic at the elementary schools, which is essential. I do not think we need five officers for daytime assistance only.
9. I do not feel a protective presence, but do feel appreciative of the office being there.
10. Use speed cameras on C.P. – more cost-effective.
11. Crime happens anytime, but also at night, break-ins of cars in the Carlyle townhouse area.
12. Use speed cameras on C.P. – more cost-effective.
13. Rotate work shifts to include some evenings/overnight or weekend coverage; work shifts (patrol) should be based on criminal activity or calls for service.
14. Need to improve staffing by the county of school crossing guards and free up our police officers.
15. We either operate as a 24/7 police dept or a community police dept which =s more outreach programs (warm + fuzzy)
16. I appreciate the work of our officers. I do not think we need any more.
17. Is it possible for night patrols on Fri & Sat beyond 9 PM (assuming crime often happens on weekends), so some flexibility to give night hrs. v. day hrs.
18. I want officers to be increased if they are out on the street. Traffic enforcement is not taken seriously—time to step up the game.
19. Class instruction for numerous motorized bikes/scooters going in middle of cars in traffic-speeding also.

20. Important and expensive part of living here.
21. I'd prefer to hear what the PD feels is necessary for safety.
22. I would like to see the no-parking of commercial vehicles + recreation vehicles enforced, especially on Crofton Pkwy. It affects our property values.
23. I have no idea what the current coverage is. Is it only 5 days a week & certain hours? This is not clear to the community.
24. I don't know how to run a PD, but I know crime has gone crazy in Crofton.
25. Add one officer 7P-7A
26. Have visible technology to issue speeding tickets or more visible traffic stops btw 7 am – 10 am & 3 pm to 8 pm
27. I think most crimes would occur after midnight. 24/7 patrol would help deter.
28. Beginning to notice more crime creeping in from the easy access Rt 3 provides.
29. Why can't the officers share cruisers? I feel that we (taxpayers) are providing personal vehicles since they can use them off duty.
30. Cut the current police force to 4 officers, then hire three new officers for 24/7 coverage.
31. Provide more traffic coverage on the parkway. Vehicles are still using the community as a cut-through to bypass Rt 3 traffic. Also, with 4 schools very close and our beautiful parkway, many kids and residents are out walking or on bikes. The speeds of vehicles and non-residents pose a significant safety issue.
32. Five officers seem enough to redeploy to cover more hours. See no need to increase the existing police force.
33. Why do we need to add more officers, if we want what we used to have, 7/24 patrols. Who pays for all the parade, special events coverage, and crossing guard support? They used to tag out-of-state vehicles and now trailers, even cars parked the wrong way.
34. I'd like to see more traffic enforcement from our existing officers for those who cut through Crofton or use our roads at excessive speeds.
35. Trailer parked unhitched on Urby near the corner of Good Hope has not moved in over 12 months. No license visible. One flat tire. The cover is now rotting. Please remove.
36. I've had some recent brazen thefts from my own front yard. Any surveillance we can provide would be greatly appreciated. We seem to have a lot of mischief going on, could be "homegrown" or could be outsiders to our community. Either way, I'd like our PD to have a handle on it.
37. We definitely need coverage late and overnight. The thieves come into our neighborhood starting around midnight to 3 am
38. Downsize the police department and hire a security company to do nighttime patrolling
39. The "fifth" officer could work the overnight shift and on weekends, or rotate that responsibility, or hire a half-time sixth officer for these hours.
40. I would suggest adding officers but also randomize their shifts. Increase the perceived presence through unpredictable patrols.
41. Perhaps things like the trunk or treat could be supported by one of the local churches or schools and a self-defense class could be offered by Anne Arundel County police so that our Crofton police can focus on policing our community. Honestly, trick-or-treating in Crofton has always been a family event with parents taking their children around to visit neighbors. I like the idea of these programs, but if they stretch resources too thin, I would rather have our police officers focus on policing and perhaps connecting in the schools.

42. Not having officers overnight and on weekends is a detriment to the community. Most of the shady things happen during those hours and the criminals can basically operate without fear since very rarely does Anne Arundel patrol through the neighborhoods overnight either. Even with the current staffing of 3-4 isn't there a way to at least cover more of the later night hours understanding leave and training plays a factor?
43. While I have seen traffic enforcement and patrolling I feel like it is not enough. If it is during the hours of 0600-midnight there should be police patrolling for speeding violations along the parkway and adjacent streets.
44. Crofton, like other municipalities in the area, has had a huge spike in theft from autos, stolen vehicles, etc, mostly occurring overnight. I've had my daughter's vehicle broken into on the Parkway. I would suggest adding 2 patrol officers and rotating mids. To be quite honest, I don't care too much about community policing (events, etc). I care about my car and property being safe overnight.
45. Since the only time I see them is when they are blocking the Parkway for parades or school drop-off/pick-up, I often wonder why we even have them at all. It looks like the county cars show up more often, and before Crofton does.
46. The roads bordering Crofton are frequently used for racing late at night, especially on Route 3 during the summer months. Couldn't we curtail this by supplementing our officers with mobile speed cameras? Cars with excessively loud mufflers operate early in the morning and late at night. Vehicles routinely run stop signs during all hours of the day and speed along Crofton Parkway. If adding more officer resources will help reduce the foregoing, you have my vote.
47. We should schedule existing staff so there is weekend day coverage. My consistent observation is that there are at least 4 Police cars at the Town Hall nearly all day long. There is no need to add a vehicle or new staff. Has the scheduling been reviewed independently to confirm that there is an efficient use of staff? Is the Chief included in the scheduling to the degree his responsibilities allow?
48. Or instead of 5 working at once, stagger the start and end times of the existing five officers to allow more coverage on nights and weekends.
49. And schedule as needed for high incident times.
50. Find the money elsewhere, lots of wasted tax dollars. There should be no increase in taxes.
51. Crime appears on the rise and police presence is a factor that I believe deters crime.
52. I know a bit about shift work. With four patrol officers, there can be one on duty 24/7. 8-hour shifts, rotating four on, two off. Or less "friendly" variables. (I know - with the minimum staffing of 4, there are gaps due to training, court, luncheons, etc.) 7 AM to 9 PM makes no sense, especially at 3/4 a million \$ per year. Bad guys want to do bad stuff at night? Just cruise by the station and count the parked cruisers, and you know if you're good to go. We already pay the county for police coverage - disband the CPD, hold the county accountable, and save us a ton of tax dollars. You asked...
53. This is a tough question because we would love to hire a few more as the area grows, but so many people are already struggling with additional price increases in other areas.
54. Why can't AAPD help patrol Crofton? And allocate those funds back into the community, ie, playgrounds, green spaces, walkways within the community, Village Green revitalization?
55. I read the policing stats. It looks to me like our police department does an excellent job keeping our town safe. However, stats can be deceiving. If the police department feels like it is strapped, unable to keep up with the demand for its services, and/or the police department feels like there is unreasonable risk being taken by not having coverage at night or on the weekends, then I fully support adding additional officers and will happily pay my share for their services. As a town, we should not be taking undue risk if we can afford not to. That's just asking for trouble.

56. I feel that my money can be used for better purposes than funding a police force that does nothing.
57. Why do we need five police officers during the day? Why don't we just move officers' time during the late-night hours when more crime occurs?
58. I'm more interested in safety than parking issues (though speeding on the circle does remain an issue). Maybe doing a rotating scheduled night shift for a patrol of the triangle could be done with the existing roster before considering another hire.
59. I live at a dead end, so I do not see them very often, so I really have no opinion.
60. We should retain five officers, but randomize the scheduling occasionally to include weekend and weekend night shifts.

(Q15) Are there any suggestions or comments you have concerning the Crofton Police Department and the CSCBD's public safety programs?

1. More enforcement is needed for speeding delivery trucks in the neighborhood and on the parkway. Stop letting people park on both sides of the street on side streets b/c a single car can barely get through.
2. More policing of speeders on Eton Way...Soccer Moms and teenagers are the worst offenders.
3. Assign an officer during nights and weekends.
4. Need to crack down on speeding, failure to yield to pedestrians at crosswalks, and overall aggressive driving that has been running rampant.
5. We'd love to see the cut-through traffic deterred. Clubhouse Gate Rd. seems to be popular for those frustrated with Rt 3, as I am sure you are well aware! Would love some speed cameras.
6. Bicycle Patrols?
7. If there were any single issue that would ever make me consider leaving Crofton, it would be crime/safety.
8. I do not believe that we need five police vehicles. The vast majority of the day, there are 4 or 3 cars parked at Town Hall. 5 vehicles are too expensive to maintain.
9. More patrols in all townhouse communities.
10. Keep up the good work, and keep our kids and community safe.
11. More patrols in the townhouse communities.
12. More enforcement of speeding (especially on the parkway since there are children and families riding bikes, walking, jogging on the street and sidewalk).
13. There should be police presence every day when school is starting and ending, and at least a weekly patrol drive by when school is in session. I never see speed being enforced, people flying down the parkway, and it's time for cameras; it's absolutely a concern.
14. I think we need biking or walking officers who can become better known to our community.
15. These programs need more publicity.
16. I see a lot of talking at C.E.S. instead of traffic patrol in the morning, crazy drop-off.
17. It is a bad look to have all the police cars parked at Town Hall. Tells the bad guys when to come in.
18. Keep up the good work! Thank you!
19. Speeding on the Crofton Parkway is a problem.
20. Crack down on speeders on Crofton Parkway.

21. Enforce illegal parking. Cars should be registered and parked with the right wheels to the curb. No excuses.
22. Would like to see more enforcement for traffic and suspicious person checks. More patrols at night and on weekends.
23. More drug prevention for fentanyl use and deaths.
24. I never know how many shifts were filled by Crofton Police. Always see 3-5 cars sitting at Town Hall. Would like to know more about police shifts, duties, etc.
25. Get the speed on Pkwy under control. Our officers are congenial and helpful. Thank you.
26. I am not aware of them.
27. Most people are not aware that the County is now in charge of our streets – these trailers are on them.
28. More time out enforcing the traffic laws.
29. Add more stop signs and/or speed bumps to discourage people from cutting through 3 to 424.
30. Night coverage would help. We've had a car break-in (unreported) at that time, and we do see drug exchanges late evenings at Swann Park.
31. I feel like I would get a ticket if I briefly drove at 30-31 mph, but I see cars zoom by at 45 mph at times.
32. Bicycle registration & car seat instruction/checking would be useful
33. I wonder the feasibility & cost of ebikes for officers to patrol parkway side streets
34. I am concerned about continued speeding on Crofton Parkway. I walk the pkwy most days & see early am, after school. And weekend speeding. A speed camera would be cheaper than another officer.
35. Please do something about vehicles that are parked on the street but never moved.
36. Police should be more present at night when the thugs are out
37. Any thoughts on rotating coverage shifts to have presence during the night when more issues or events are happening; less predictable coverage
38. I think officers could share cruisers to cut that cost.
39. No. Very happy.
40. Would like to see coverage overnight occasionally on the weekends, if possible.
41. So many drivers run the stop signs at the parkway & Duke of Kent – put up a camera. Also, enforce the 25 limit, so many speeders.
42. Please be more active with traffic stops. There is too much speeding.
43. "While I'm grateful to see the CPD involved in community events which is a true benefit of being a resident and critical for sustaining an open dialog, the FIRST priority should be safety.
44. When we first moved onto the Parkway in 2000, there was a ROUTINE presence of officers running radar and issuing warnings/tickets. This was at multiple times of day, multiple days per week.
45. I truly cannot recall the last time I saw an officer running traffic checks. This is particularly disconcerting as the Parkway has become an absolute speedway. Particularly on Friday afternoons as people are cutting off Route 3 North through the Parkway. There are far too many children, bikers, citizens at risk.
46. Better still, I'd LOVE to see a speed camera installed between CWES and CES, near the Village Green (from what I've seen online, we qualify due to the juxtaposition of the schools).

47. I HAVE noticed an effort by Town Hall to have a social media presence and address concerns of our residents. That is a positive effort, though I imagine it would be hard to maintain given limited resources."
48. There is a missing question between this and the paper version. I am aware that the Crofton PD can sign off on vehicle repair order tickets, and I have used this service.
49. I believe we need enforcement of the 3-way stop on Duke of Kent and the Parkway. I have had to stop to allow cars to go as they run the stop sign. I never see any Officers checking the 3-way stop for motorists who run the signs.
50. They seem to be doing a great job. Crime is relatively low in Crofton, which is one of the biggest benefits of living here. Should crime rates begin to increase, I would advocate for increasing coverage (adding police officers), but for now, I think the five we have are adequate.
51. Not at this time
52. "Provide more traffic coverage on the parkway. Vehicles are still using the community as a cut-through to bypass Rt 3 traffic. Also, with 4 schools very close and our beautiful parkway, many kids and residents are out walking or on bikes. The speeds of vehicles and non-residents pose a significant safety issue.
53. Overall, I've noticed an increased Police presence over the last two years. I appreciate the community interaction and constant involvement."
54. I would like to see more police presence for stopping speeders. I would like to be known as "the neighborhood you can't speed through because things will stop you." I feel that I'm often tailgated by people cutting through the neighborhood to avoid traffic on Route 3
55. "More visibility of the police officers in the neighborhood. We need 24/7 coverage since it seems many of the crimes happen at night."
56. As a long-time retired resident, I spend a good portion of every day in the E-section and the Triangle area of Crofton. Despite the recent increase in Police officers and Police vehicles, I infrequently see Police patrols on Crofton streets. It seems to me that local Police presence is less frequent than in years past. I would like to see more Police monitoring the traffic flow at the 3-way stop intersection at the front doorstep of Police HQs/Town Hall. This can be a dangerous intersection, despite the fact that every vehicle approaching this intersection is required by law to stop. Can we spare one of our 5 Police officers to periodically monitor this intersection and enforce the rules of the road? On several occasions while using this intersection, after stopping and then proceeding into the intersection, I have had to abruptly come to a complete stop in the middle of the intersection as an approaching vehicle blows through their stop sign. This flagrant disregard for the rules of the road, threatening the safety of other motorists is an especially flagrant violation right at the doorstep of the Crofton Police HQs, with 4-5 police cars parked at the intersection. I realize there is Police presence during school hours, but can this presence be expanded?
57. Thank you to Crofton Police Dept for doing a great job with the limited resources. I know it's not easy!
58. The CPD presence and community outreach have risen exponentially over the past two years. Thank you!
59. I don't really have any.
60. The coverage needs to be extended to weekends and evenings. Having five officers should provide different staffing approaches during these times, especially with the existing MOU with AAPD.
61. I am wondering what the dept is considering in terms of trying to stop theft of cars and tires in the Lake Louise townhome area?
62. Speed cameras along Crofton Parkway and major incoming roads.

63. I see the Crofton Police frequently on the parkway. However, I see a lot less of them in my neighborhood and never doing any speed enforcement in my neighborhood. Cars fly down Stonegate and Mayfair (Pleasant Meadow has the speed bumps to slow things down). I suggest the Police Department get into the neighborhood streets more and away from the Parkway.
64. I would like to see the Crofton police patrolling more. I see many speeders on Crofton Parkway and it is dangerous, especially since so many children ride bikes.
65. I would like to see more traffic stops as well as patrolling to deter auto theft and car break-ins Etc.
66. With the increase in odd vehicles such as Uber, DoorDash, and Prime deliveries by independent and unmarked vehicles, it would be good to see more officers making rounds.
67. I really appreciate the increased visibility of our Crofton police officers under Chief Jett! It's so encouraging to see them out and about, connecting with the community—not only is it reassuring for residents, but it's also a great example for the kids to see. I also love that they're posting updates on the Facebook page. It shows they're approachable, transparent, and truly invested in making Crofton a safe and welcoming place to live!
68. Trailer parked unhitched on Urby near the corner of Good Hope has not moved in over 12 months. No license visible. One flat tire. The cover is now rotting. Please remove.
69. Your programs have had a positive impact on our community. My children have a positive view of the Crofton PD based on their visits to the school, the Cub Scout visits to the station, the trunk or treat event and the dunk event at city hall last year. The Crofton pd is doing the best they can with the resources and staffing available to them. I am proud to have this department in our community and appreciate all the work they do to keep our community safe and resilient.
70. Keep doing what you are doing. Most people are home at night and aren't worried about crimes like robberies of citizens. Burglaries during the day can be confronted with constant patrols when your patrol units are on duty. If theft from autos begins, which is mainly on midnights, maybe someone's shift can be changed to combat crime.
71. More night patrols for crime that occurs after hours, such as break-ins, and more traffic enforcement at all hours
72. I would love to have weekend coverage (not sure if we do) on Crofton Parkway.
73. I think you guys do a great job, but I think you should patrol 24/7, and it would be nice if you guys could patrol ALL of Crofton, like outside the triangle, such as Crofton Meadows, Chapman Farms, Waldon, etc. If that means charging more taxes for those neighborhoods, I'm all for it.
74. "Red Cross CPR/First Aid training, Bike safety demonstration, and bike checks. Program for Seniors- safety"
75. "Please publish the crimes occurring so we can be on the lookout. I've also reported crime and copied Crofton PD with no response. Not a good sign that crime is taken seriously. Speeding is a huge factor in our section and our block and surrounding must live with the daily weed smoking from one house, which is so bad you can't even go for a walk or sit outside. They do it in their yard and in their cars and then drive them. With little kids in the house. So dangerous, but the police never come. Never see police in our neighborhood, but it's a major escape route to Rte. 3"
76. I understand why police favor public safety programs, but these programs should not be at the expense of stopping speeders on Urby Drive or on the Parkway.
77. Understanding that AACO PD also covers Crofton I think it is disappointing that CPD does not appear to visibly increase patrol and does not patrol during the evenings. There has been an increase in car thefts and break-ins; these people could be deterred if officers were visible and present. I appreciate their involvement in the schools and assisting crossing guards, but visibility and more frequent patrol would be preferred.

78. "Red Cross CPR/First Aid training Bike safety demonstration and bike checks. Program for Seniors- safety"
79. I feel safe here. The more police, the better. It definitely deters criminals. I know because I work in DC, and coming home to a safe haven like Crofton is such a blessing.
80. I have been a resident of Crofton Meadows my entire life. I am 43 now and also an African American. I hope with the rise of more African Americans I see living in the community that everyone is treated with respect and fairness. I say this because I was followed all the way into my cul-de-sac years ago by Crofton police because of a profiling measure, the officer literally stopped me in front of my home and asked what I was doing and where I was going. When I showed him my license and they saw my address they tried to paint a picture that I did not use my turn signal inside my neighborhood. I was 25 and this scarred me for almost 20 years. I have a 6-year-old son, and I never want him or anyone who rightfully lives here to ever experience that ever!!
81. We have lived in Crofton since 2001. I used to see officers parked along the parkway and cruising the streets. I used to see more speeding enforcement. In the last two years, there has been a significant increase in people driving too fast on Crofton Parkway (especially during the morning and evening commuting hours). Drivers are often rude and tailgate because of the lack of speed enforcement. If I remember correctly, officers would often provide a warning, which was a nice courtesy. I'm sure repeat offenders received tickets. We also used to see more officers, cruising by the parks which discouraged large groups of teenagers from congregating.
82. Consider parking your cruisers somewhere else sometimes. Every criminal in town can drive by the town hall and the 1 corporal's residence in about 2 minutes and know whether anyone is working or not. Also, please try to step up traffic enforcement again, it seems to have gone down in recent months. Yes, no one likes getting pulled over but it does do a good job of reducing speeding, running the stop signs, and helping find other crimes.
83. Maybe get out of the cars every once in a while and walk a block or two, say hello and talk to residents. Maybe get a couple e-bikes to show their presence.
84. Thank you!
85. I am so happy to see this survey. We need coverage 24/7.
86. None
87. We would love to see overnight coverage. It would make me and my family feel much safer, and ensure fewer incidents during evening and nighttime hours. We would absolutely pay more taxes to have more coverage 24/7. We love Crofton PD and truly appreciate all they do!!
88. "To be honest, I'm concerned for the safety of the children in our community. People speed up and down the parkway and side streets. If you happen to go the speed limit, the person behind you rides your bumper. I grew up here in Crofton. The laws are not enforced like they once were, and it makes it unsafe for our kids."
89. That new pickup truck is a waste of taxpayers' money. Also, what happened to the bikes we bought years ago. Officers were supposed to be using them to be more visible.
90. The speeding traffic continues to be a concern.
91. I would like to see an officer stationed at all schools during the school year. Similar to the program based in Montgomery County.
92. If not already being done, publish the police department's crime and traffic statistic trends once or twice a year.
93. I believe that with the limited officers, they do a good job. However, with the kind of people who do harm I want more officers patrolling.

94. Have an independent productivity evaluation completed. The Board can then better determine what is needed. This would also provide the Town Manager support for any required changes.
95. Perhaps a bit more enforcement/patrol at Swann Park at dusk for drug sales
96. More involvement at Crofton Elementary School would be great.
97. Chief Jett and his team have done an amazing job of becoming part of the community! That is a win-win re: police retention rates also, I believe.
98. When I first moved here 15ish years ago, I got two tickets in the first year or 2 for speeding on the parkway (32 & 37 in a 25 mph zone). Now that I have kids who ride bikes around the neighborhood and walk to school, I see more speeders and less enforcement. I'd really love it if the Crofton Police would focus on traffic control for the safety of all kids. It hasn't happened yet, but it might, and it haunts me. <3
99. I enjoy having the Crofton police as a resource, but if scheduling can change to fight crime when it's happening, then another officer is a waste of money. We also have the AA county police.
100. No, I appreciate you participating in community events when we're over on the parkway.
101. We know they have a large area to cover, but please make it to the Willows to do checks also Police presence has declined in the past several years. Vehicles are leaving rt 3 during rush hour and speeding around the parkway to beat the northbound back-ups. If police are unable to patrol the parkway, then a speed camera/s would be welcomed. (between Crofton Woods and Crofton Elementary, maybe across from Village Green) Many bikers and pedestrians are in the roadway
102. Speeding on Crofton Parkway between the Country Club and Crofton Woods. I have heard that speed humps cannot be put in on that stretch. Can a speed camera be out in?
103. We enjoy the community programs!
104. I would like to see more traffic enforcement. Cars drive very fast on Crofton Parkway. Parked commercial vehicles and trailers should not be permitted to park either.
105. Swann Park in the evening is a problem. Many parties in the woods with fires, alcohol, and drug use. I would love for Thursday, Friday, and Saturday random checks. If cars are parked on Swinbourne at night, then kids are there. Strong odor of Marijuana often.
106. Police are doing great. It would be very beneficial to put in speed bumps AND a speed camera on the parkway between the country club and Duke of Kent (going towards the elementary school from the country club. Our cars have been hit several times, and our kids cannot play outside because of the cut-through drivers from 3, trying to save time, which exceeds 45mph at times.
107. "Great job guys!
108. Sometimes I see kids on mini motorized "bikes" or scooters going as fast as the cars on the parkway. Is that illegal?"
109. Sell the House. Move to the village green.
110. They do an excellent job, thank you! I love seeing them patrol & am grateful for their traffic stops, etc. It keeps traffic in hand. I'd love to have 24/7 coverage. I think it would deter crime.
111. While National Night Out, Trunk or Treat, and women's self-defense programs are nice, parents with young families are looking for updated playground facilities, splash pads, picnic tables, benches, and walkways to get to green spaces. These are things we'd use on a regular basis instead of having a couple of events a year or extra officers.

112. Crofton is getting worse instead of better. There is only so much the police can do, but I would like to see more officers out and about trying to limit speeding and aggressive driving. It seems people aren't concerned about consequences anymore, so a police presence and enforcement could help.
113. We need help with getting commercial vehicles off the parkway and guidelines for motorized scooters and bikes. Start handing out warnings to people who break traffic laws on bikes.
114. Stop street parking, especially recreational vehicles.
115. The more the police officers can connect to the community they serve, the better the community will be.
116. It is a waste of money, and the force is similar to mall security
117. "We live on Albermarle, and noticed a neighbor in one of the townhouses along the Parkway recently had their wheels stolen. Are there plans to ramp up patrols to prevent this from happening to others?"
118. We were also concerned with the young man last year at the corner of the town hall who was dancing in his underwear and talking to people who walked by, so close to Crofton Elementary School. We know the police offered him assistance, but he appeared to be severely mentally ill. Was there anything more we could have done as a community to support him and get him the help he needed? We were concerned that he may be in a crisis state, particularly close to the elementary school, and he was there for weeks."
119. Get them to enforce parking and vehicle storage on the parkway. I have many friends who know my history and always asking me why they do not ticket abandoned / stored vehicles decorating the parkway. Its an eyesore. One friend told me they told him the law doesn't permit this? Worked for county police for 10 years, the law does permit this. You cannot leave a vehicle sit in same location for a year and not move it once. Seeing around stored boats and campers is a hazard to boot. They don't even enforce the people that park next to the no parking signs up by city hall.
120. The community events are great, especially trunk or treat.
121. Speed regulating humps near the W-section courts (Walleye Dr. to Waldorf Ct.) on Crofton Parkway would be a great addition. I have witnessed reckless driving through this area of Crofton.
122. "Definitely a fan of increased patrols. And thank you for your service!"
123. I would like a better understanding of services which the Crofton PD can provide (as mentioned the security checks, etc.) and how to request these services (who do I contact?).
124. "As a resident of Lake Louise townhomes & now also a business owner in the Priest Bridge Shopping Center, I am thankful EVERY day for the hard work & care that the Crofton Police has provided... you are keeping not only my family, but my ballet students & their families safe as well. THANK YOU SOOO MUCH !!
125. (When I moved to Crofton, my dad, being a US Capitol Police officer at the time, was only going to let me move to my first home where it was safe... this was a BIG reason I moved here in 2017)"
126. We have a neighbor who runs a dog kennel from her house. Despite neighbor complaints and lodging cases, the business continues. Dogs have escaped and charged people walking by. Children have been left to look after dogs who get into fights. It's too late now, but you can understand my skepticism that the poki vs s are helping.
127. Perhaps change the (Schedules). Less police hours during the early morning - mid-afternoon daylight hours, and concentrate more on the late afternoon and evening hours till about 3:00 AM or so.
128. Traffic enforcement should be a high priority. Especially given the increased congestion on Route 3 over the last 15 years, many people (who are likely not residents of the CSCBD) appear to cut through the Triangle to avoid traffic. It is very common to be tailgated on the parkway, and twice I have had people illegally pass me at speeds well over the limit. That being said, I understand that limited resources must be prioritized.

Parks and Common Grounds Comments

(Q31) Is there any other type of playground equipment or facilities you would like to see installed at Swann and Willows Park? If so, please explain:

1. Nature Play-e.g., boulders, log steppers, etc. Children's garden!! Flowers, colorful plants for biodiversity.
2. More playground equipment.
3. Something that appeals to older kids would be nice!
4. Nature-based play areas. This "equipment," like jumping along a line of stumps, is inexpensive but needs to be checked and replaced because it's supposed to decompose.
5. Keep the equipment updated – your choice on the advice of an informed committee – ask the P.E. teachers at CES and CWES for advice.
6. I'd like to see swings at the playground. Currently, at Swann Park, there is only one swing for kids (not the baby swing) that is always being used and frequently broken. There are no swings at Crofton Woods E.S. or Hardy Field. Crofton Park has swings, and they are constantly being used by kids.
7. Parks must be monitored since people have set fire to logs and trees in the park; alcohol cans are also left behind.
8. Adaptive equipment for children w/special needs cord vocabulary board for communication support.
9. Up-to-date equipment and constant maintenance for bee removal. My grands get stung a lot. Consistent trash removal.
10. Prioritize play areas for kids. This is a family community. Make parks a draw – a place kids want to go.
11. My grandchildren use these facilities.
12. My family is wild about "tricky monkey bars." Often in an "S" pattern or individual circles that spin as you grab them – like at Allen Pond. And swings!!! All kinds.
13. Our son and his friends love the new Hardy Field equipment. More of that in the other parks, please.
14. Kids bike practice area (see Huntington Park in Columbia. Go-go ball spot, more swings.
15. Swings, slides, climbing structures, merry-go-round, sensory path, gym bars, tunnel slides from 3-story, Big Kid-small kid areas (said our son).
16. Splash park for toddlers and/or dogs
17. Please don't eliminate trees for playground equipment
18. a zip line; a real, old school, merry-go-around; more swings
19. Rubber floor for Swann Park Playground. Structures for big kids and little kids. Keep the trees!
20. I don't even know where Willows Park is. And I tried to get to Hardy Field, but didn't know how to access it. I would like to see lots more swings, for all ages.
21. There needs to be an accessible playground in Crofton to allow all everyone in the community to be able to play. Whether that is Swann Park, Willows Park or the potential updates to the Crofton Park, Crofton should have a fully accessible park.
22. This doesn't apply to me as I have no young children
23. Public Pickleball courts
24. I will visit Hardy Field with my grandkids.

25. More swings would be nice.
26. Swann Park needs repair. The swings have been broken for years, and to keep people out of the golf course for fishing, you should take down a part or all of the fence to give people who want to fish more access to the water.
27. Trailer parked unhitched on Urby near the corner of Good Hope has not moved in over 12 months. No license visible. One flat tire. The cover is now rotting. Please remove.
28. Sunshades
29. "Adaptive swings for special needs
30. Splash pad
31. Outdoor Musical Instruments"
32. A marked and maintained trail in the surrounding woods.
33. At Hardy Field Playground, the merry-go-round is really well-liked and well-used by the children. I also feel the swings being replaced are wonderful, especially the special swing for a child with developmental difficulties. The best addition is the huge playground/slide combo. The kids really love that and have a great time on it. The other parks could benefit from these same additions.
34. Not sure
35. Disregard if this has been done, but please reinstall the swings at Swann. I heard a few months ago that they were taken down
36. "Adaptive swings for special needs
37. Splash pad
38. Outdoor Musical Instruments"
39. Just need updated swings and other playground equipment with more benches and tables.
40. Swan Park definitely needs improved playground equipment that can easily accommodate a section for younger children as well as a section for older children. Our family has also enjoyed the trails for walking in the area around Swan Park. We've enjoyed many nature walks through that area. It would be nice to maintain it well and perhaps minimize the bike trails, which are tearing up the area.
41. I have no idea where these even are and I have kids.
42. Use the full space available at Swann Park. Something unique would be great (zipline, climbing jungle gym, etc).
43. Everyone in the neighborhood is so anxious about getting Swann Park updated. Anything you can do to make it happen sooner would be greatly appreciated.
44. Yes, even the new equipment at Hardy Field seems outdated. We should have big, exciting, modern playgrounds like those in Piney Orchard or Two Rivers. Something for older elementary kids, not just toddlers. We would also love to see a better area for kids to ride bikes safely away from the road and a modern dog park would be so great with so many dog owners in the neighborhood!
45. "A small pavilion at both locations with picnic tables and grills similar to what is offered at Quiet Water Park in Annapolis.
46. Also, some simple exercise equipment that kids, walkers, and joggers could use."
47. Where is Hardy Field
48. Zipline would be great. Bigger slides would be nice.
49. Large gazebos with tables. Clear out the area by the pond for fishing.

50. SWINGS! More things for kiddos to climb on. Deterrents for the crazy ATV guy and his ilk to not ride their motorized vehicles around the park.
51. We have been told for 4 years that Willows Park was getting updated, and it has not. The park is a danger to our children; the metal is rusted with exposed rust. The slide is broken. Someone tagged and spray-painted some of the equipment
52. Balance beams
53. Just updated equipment for kids' safety
54. A splash pad at one of the parks !!!! Also, Swann Park would be great for a zip line course
55. A new dog park would be great! Climbing and play equipment for older kids (10-14) would be appreciated as well.
56. "Would love it if there was a rubber surface instead of mulch. Please consider making Swann Park the "flagship" park for the community and allocating the most funds to this park. Would love a large structure with several slides, swings, a smaller toddler structure, and some additional climbers.
57. Please contact me if you want any input on the creation of this park. I am a travel content creator and have visited over 150 parks around the state in the past few years and would love to provide input."
58. "I am so happy you are updating Swann park. It is a beautiful space and in need of many repairs. A pavilion you can rent, like Crofton Park, would be great - even if small.
59. I know this has been asked and idk the costs, but some sort of splash pad would be wonderful."
60. A picnic shelter with a grill and some picnic tables.
61. Better benches (the current ones at Hardy field lean--you can't put anything on them) and tables. Bigger structures and structures for both little and big kids, more space--less brush and remove some trees so it's not a mosquito infestation.
62. My grandchildren live across the street from Central Park in New York City. The water fountains are one of the favorites. Kids can play in the water shooting up from the ground without fear of drowning. I would love to see a similar water feature in any of the parks.
63. Where are the parks?
64. It would be great to have a dog park closer than Bell Branch, where parking is impossible on sports weekends.
65. Musical elements. Check the Quiet Waters playground in Annapolis or Ocean City's Downtown Rec Complex West for ideas.
66. Better fishing access to the pond at Swann Park.
67. Please add more swings, a sensory path, benches, and upgrades to the playground.
68. Monkey bars
69. Add a picnic shelter and grill to Swann Park. Add a fishing pier or platform on the edge of the pond within the park.

(Q34) Is there anything specific you would like to see done in common areas that we are not doing now?

1. Evaluate and take out dead/dying trees in common areas that could fall on structures.
2. Maintenance of Swann Park.
3. The sidewalks and tree lawns adjacent to the country club property are not maintained. They need to be weeded, mowed, and edged.

4. Plant more of Duvall Family Graveyard so it's less lawn and more natural-pollinator meadow or edible garden.
5. Continue expanding the cherry trees – get rid of all the dead ones on the Parkway.
6. People living at Swinburn cul-de-sac have their backyards viewing the golf course, which is overgrown with pine trees leaning toward their property. The brick pillar is gone from Spring Green, going to the next hole of the golf course. Overgrown bushes on Spring Green near the entrance to the golf course, weeds and grass spilling to the curb, the sidewalk is shrinking, and no trimming or edging has been done. 2 dead trees on the same side of the missing brick pillar. On Spring Green to the cul-de-sac, two large cherry tree limbs could knock you out while running or walking on the sidewalk. Seems you want the front of the country club to look good, but are not interested in all areas. Out of sight, out of mind. Drive around, walk around town streets. Black metal fence of Spring Green near the entrance and exit to the golf course is in need of repair.
7. The sand should be cleared from the ADA accessible sidewalk ramps at the intersection of Tarrytown Ave and the Parkway sidewalk near Urby, and the Parkway is also covered with sand.
8. They do the minimum to keep CCA happy. The land by my house is NOT maintained well.
9. Trash pick-up daily at Hardy, maintenance at Hardy daily, and remove festival lines on Parkway since Blossom Festival.
10. Lake Louise continues to need help.
11. More pet disposal bags.
12. The maintenance worker is vital and does a great job.
13. Mosquito and tick fogging.
14. Hiking trails, walking paths.
15. The street sweeping truck should maintain the drains to the sewer – I see the trucks go, and apparently pick up no trash. Someone should clean the drains. I did it once and it is a lot of work, and the trash collected is not suitable for yard waste bags.
16. Ensuring sidewalks are clear of overgrowth (eg, section just north of First Baptist Church). Also, the area across Swann Park adjacent to the Golf course.
17. Would love to see ice skating allowed at Crofton Park pond when ice is thick enough (rare but does happen)
18. plant native, non-water-intensive flora. In fact, the less water we use, the better, so putting in desert-style landscaping would be great.
19. Just put out a map so we know exactly where they are.
20. On Tyrone Street, the circle at the end of the street has plants that should be torn out and replaced with grass for use by residents.
21. More covered trash cans with regular emptying would be nice.
22. I believe this is really the country club. But there are several areas along Crofton Parkway where poison ivy is encroaching on the sidewalk.
23. The bushes that line Crofton Parkway in front of the country club need to be trimmed as they are impeding the sidewalk.
24. Keep nudging the Crofton Country Club to take on regular maintenance of their property, which runs along both of their intersections with/on Eton Way. Over this spring and summer, their property has become overgrown with unsightly vegetation, including large patches of poison ivy. These areas remained unkempt with large swaths of vegetation for extended periods of time.

25. The fence in and around the golf course on Eton looks dilapidated and seems like we could do more to make that look better. I guess that would come out of the CCC budget, but I thought I'd mention it.
26. Please stop putting signs in the median at the intersection with Crawford Blvd. It makes it very difficult to see if there is oncoming traffic while trying to turn left onto Crawford Blvd.
27. The maintenance and/or removal of trees and stumps.
28. Pollinator-friendly planting
29. Enforcing commercial yard signs, areas on curbs that are not in front of residence homes such as Spring Green Ave at all of the cart crossings in the community. The weeds prevent proper drainage.
30. Trailer parked unhitched on Urby near the corner of Good Hope has not moved in over 12 months. No license visible. One flat tire. The cover is now rotting. Please remove.
31. See my comment above. It may better more applicable here. Develop a 1x per quarter community clean-up of the more littered areas the CCA owns.
32. More permanent benches along the parkway. Bought with donations. With a plaque in honor of the beloved.
33. More paths and walkways through wooded areas.
34. "I live near the 450/Good Hope Drive Woods, which is underutilized by residents. I've walked my dog there but I'm fearful of her picking up ticks from that area. Could the paths be widened and could stones be put down on the trails?
35. Also--the median area that splits Good Hope for a few yards--could the low, scraggly bushes be removed since they are dying? I know they try to keep that up with flowers and such. It would look better if the basic shrubbery that is the core of the landscaping should be replaced.
36. I know Town Hall is aware of the problem of overflowing trash from the baseball families at Hardy Field. I realize it's a dilemma. They think someone else is going to take out the trash but they need to. The neighborhood families who use the park do trash pickup periodically to assist but if the contracted maintenance worker could swing by more frequently it would be so helpful."
37. More permanent benches along the parkway. Bought with donations. With a plaque in honor of beloved.
38. Grass is not being maintained in the summer around Crofton Golf Club - the walkways are overgrown with weeds /grass/trees on Swinburne Avenue near Swan Park and on Spring Green Avenue.
39. Perhaps maintaining the grassy areas a little bit better so they don't just become dirt patches, especially along the sidewalk. I'm thinking along the sidewalk near Swan Park.
40. Please consider adding some trash cans along the parkway; maybe it would make people stop throwing their trash and dog bags in the bushes.
41. Signage might be helpful (to label/mark common areas).
42. The parking lot at the country club is in dire need of repaving. It makes it really hard to go to events there when my kids are constantly tripping over potholes and my stroller is getting stuck on the thousands of acorns and other debris all over the place.
43. The fence and landscaping around the golf course always look terrible. Not sure if this is in CCA control, but any improvements there would help a lot. Town Hall could also use some serious improvements, and a separate substation for police officers would be amazing.
44. Enhance the walking path connecting The Willows to Tyrone. Many kids play in the wooded area off the path, as well as many adults walk their dogs and use this area to get exercise. I have maintained the area for a number of

years (blowing leaves, repairing benches, taking dumped branches and brush off the path, and repairing and replacing the wood decking.

45. Regarding Yoshino trees- would prefer to see native trees planted
46. There is a tree in front of my home (1495 Crofton Pkwy) that is between the sidewalk and road. The tree is leaning towards the road and has a large dead limb over the roadway. The limb will likely fall soon. I sent a message to the Crofton town hall website about this several months ago, but nothing has been done. I'm afraid that if the limb falls, it could injure or kill someone.
47. Can you get on the golf course to keep up the maintenance on their public-facing property lines? See the fences by Swann Park.
48. The company consistently blows leaves in our backyard, but they have come to clean when we call and tell them. Would be nice to have updated fencing for the willows that face the street, to eliminate that problem
49. Mosquitos at Hardy Field are out of control. That's always the reason we end up leaving.
50. I would like to see more waste receptacles.
51. "Repaint the Kiwanas' brown board for notices in front of the country club. It has a 70's vibe.
52. Better maintenance of the country club to curb sections, especially near the derelict tennis courts (maybe this is a country club issue)."
53. Replanting new cherry blossom trees, as many have been removed due to age and health.
54. Stop street sweeping truck.
55. "Those signs for CCA events (like the ice cream social or dog show) you put in the median across from the country club create a blind spot when you are turning left to get onto Crawford towards 3 from the parkway. Please consider different placement.
56. Please consider wreaths or something festive in the Crofton brick facades as you enter for the holidays!!!"
57. Dog bag stations on Crofton Parkway
58. More and nicer landscaping in common areas. A paved walkway to and around the lake? More paved walkways to get to and from places. Make the common areas more walkable besides just the streets. Add a LOT of benches. People of all ages want to walk and to do that they want a paved pathways and benches--families, older people, people working from home, everyone wants to walk.
59. Focus on converting to a nature-friendly landscape that does not need to be mowed as frequently. Reduce the number/frequency of hours-long lawn/leaf blowing. When they do need to work, the trucks should be parked so they do not impede the flow of traffic.
60. Get the parkway cleaned up. Stored vehicles and trailers, campers, boats with trash from months gone by, are an eyesore and detract from the appearance.
61. Spend less money acquiring properties and more on finding uses for the existing properties where possible. Some of these could be used as the basis for a community center (Good Hope and Route 450 property).
62. The GRASS it's been awful for years & if we can't grow grass, let's plant some moss so at least it's green.
63. A dog run at Lake Louise!
64. Dog poop trash cans
65. I'm not saying this isn't being done already, but maintaining habitat to control ticks is always a good idea, e.g. eradicating weedy areas, maintaining buffer zones, etc.

(Q35) In the “front yard” area, which some call the “Enclave” property, we signed a Forest Conservation Easement with AA County, and the County planted 1,600 trees there a few years ago. One idea is to create a walking path around that area. While adding a mulch path may be a few years off, the saplings are growing, and if we are going to put in a path, we should cull the path starting this winter. Do you think:

1. Yes, put the path in with some thoughts; pushing strollers is very popular. It’s not possible to safely access the ‘enclave’ on foot or by wheel. A paved path at Lake Louise might get used.
2. We advocated and paid to acquire that parcel. An amenity path is a very reasonable ask. Perhaps the Lutheran or Baptist Church or a scout group could help build/maintain.
3. Make sure connects from Parkway road.
4. Love the “natural areas” throughout “the triangle!”
5. I don’t think this is a safe place for a walking path
6. I don’t think anyone is going to want to walk a path right off Rt. 3 w/trucks & noise.
7. Too much noise from Rt 3 traffic to make it an enjoyable path to walk on.

(Q36) From Town Hall to where Crofton Parkway crosses Beaver Creek, there are Yoshino cherry trees on each side of the Parkway that give Crofton a signature look during the spring flower season. The CCA Board has allocated funds in the FY26 budget to plant 8 to 10 new Yoshino cherry trees along the Parkway, with the long-term objective of completing the entire Parkway by repeating a limited planting every year. Do you think:

1. There are many on Eton Way. Suggest that more trees be added here as well.
2. Cherry trees look great when maintained. Too many need to be removed. I don’t think homeowners are going to maintain @ their expense *Don’t plant more until you remove or prune existing ones

(Q37) Would you like to see a few benches along Crofton Parkway in public areas so that people have a place to take a break while walking the Parkway?

1. Yes, you could try 1 or 2. Concern regarding vandalism.
2. Offer memorial benches for sponsorship

Recreation Comments

(Q17) Have you attended or participated in any of the following in the last 12 months?

1. (Crofton Salutes Our Heroes Banners) Have not participated. Only 1 person I recognized. It seems popular in other communities. I think it looks tacky, but I'm OK with it.
2. Flags for Heroes display on Route 3 (with Crofton Kiwanis). Have not participated but I think it's a_wonderful, beautiful program!!!
3. Crofton Chili Cook-off, but plan to start getting more active! Love Crofton! Hope to be around when events occur!
4. Years ago, when our boys were little, we attended most everything that was going on. More events now, which is great! We attended tons of events and programs when our boys were young. Not so much now that they are young men.

(Q18) Which of the following programs do you like?

1. Summer Concert Series-Love it.
2. All are good activities. I cannot physically attend anymore. Now 90.
3. Trunk-or-Treat – Favorite!

(Q19) Are there any improvements or changes you would like to see us make to any of these programs?

1. No, they are all great!
2. We think they are great, but haven't been able to attend.
3. No
4. Haven't participated, but glad these events happen.
5. Like the Easter Egg Hunt, but change it from a free-for-all!
6. Make it more known when events are happening.
7. More PR/Signage for Armed Forces Parade
8. Tighten up Christmas tree lighting. Last year, a switch flipped, and nobody was ready.
9. Move the Cherry Blossom Festival out of the parkway.
10. Community Christmas Caroling.
11. Would have liked to have known about heroes on Parkway.
12. I love our town's celebrations even if I'm not able to join all of them!
13. Kids' safety education events, or bike/pedestrian safety events.
14. Display photos of Crofton people who have served
15. It is hard to read the names unless you are right up on them (Banners for heroes). You do a great job!
16. Waste of money, stop them
17. My family has outgrown many of these events; however, I think they are all great!
18. I don't participate because I am retired. I think it's important for younger families.
19. More concerts

20. The Heroes display should be lit better and displayed in a safer place for people to pay their respects. Drivers on Rt 3 don't matter as much as our community.
21. Events for older residents to attend
22. "I absolutely LOVE the Hero Banners...thank you for making those happen.
23. Two thoughts: 1. The Crofton Pride Parade should be recognized as a community event and added to this list. 2. The Annual Armed Forces/First Responders Parade should have a FAR greater presence by the community and even participants. I believe the CCA should work with local sports programs to have teams ATTEND the parade and NOT schedule games that day. Players should walk in or at least attend as spectators. It would be great to have local businesses and more support in such an honorable event."
24. I like the idea of the Flags for our Heroes, but it never gets carried out in an organized fashion. The flags should be in a location where people can walk to view them and see who was honored...it's not easy to get to them on Rt 3. A nice spot for them to be displayed would be the Village Green. Also, the flags should have a light on them and what's been rigged up is poor quality...it almost disrespects the flag.
25. IF the flags on Route 3 display continue, align them in a different way, such as a gentle, elongated 's' curve following Route 3 for a short distance. It almost looks cult-like to see that cluster of flags at the entrance, some tilting more than the others, messy. I'm as patriotic as the next guy, just so you know.
26. More summer concerts at the Country Club.
27. There was a summer concert a few years ago with a full lineup for a few hours. That was awesome.
28. I am usually too busy to attend these events, but I love that they occur and hope they will continue.
29. What isn't listed here is the Pride Parade. I object to my tax money being used to fund a parade that supporting a sexual agenda. It is supporting a small part of the population and promoting something that is an issue in which many don't agree. ANY sexual leaning is private, personal, and shouldn't be subject to taxpayers' financial support, but rather on an individual basis.
30. As long as they do not close off our streets and require extra police support. What about outside of Crofton organizations, like parades sanctioned by the county, that use our community?
31. To better orchestrate the upcoming 3rd annual Cherry Blossom Festival, may I suggest that the schedule for this event be moved up, earlier, by 2 weeks. This may allow that, for the first time, the 3rd annual Cherry Blossom Festival might coincide with the actual blossoming of our beloved cherry trees. The first two annual festivals were held 2 weeks after the blossoms peaked.
32. Keep it up.
33. I had no idea that these events even existed. Where are they? At the country club? I'm not a member due to cost.
34. Trailer parked unhitched on Urby near the corner of Good Hope has not moved in over 12 months. No license visible. One flat tire. The cover is now rotting. Please remove.
35. Please keep doing these programs. Our kids love them, and they are a great way to get the community involved and together. I am constantly amazed that they can be organized and run with such a reasonable budget.
36. No, the events are always great.
37. I love all these programs; they together make Crofton a strong community. However, I was sad and disappointed to see "parking spaces" spray-painted along the Parkway during the Cherry Blossom Festival (near the Preschool at Farlow) that were apparently painted with permanent paint. (Can this paint be removed?)
38. Not that I can think of.

39. I know it's a challenge, but try to look for more activities for things like the ice cream social and backyard party. In previous years, the eco reptile folks were there, and that made people stick around a bit longer.
40. Larger play areas for kids and more activities. Maybe partner with churches to increase the sizes of activities due to their planning, equipment, and funding.
41. It's always frustrating that the Christmas "tree" is actually just a string of lights, especially when there is an actual live tree across the street that would be perfect for Christmas decorating. We should use the Village Greens area more!
42. I appreciate all the programs that Crofton puts on and helps us be a community. My participation has varied because of my availability.
43. I'd like to see expanded programs that bring the community together.
44. Keep the farmer's market program.
45. Planting of Cherry Blossom Trees Sponsored Program
46. The concerts would be great if they could get some more modern performers. Current performers are geared towards an older generation, and Crofton is getting younger each year. I would love to watch the concerts, but the musical choices are not appealing to young or middle-aged parents.
47. While not all of the programs are in my interest, I love that our community offers them. I would like to see more participation by "neutral" members on the community - like most of the parades seem to have an agenda (gay rights, anti-Trump, pro-Trump, etc), but why can't it just be like "Yay, Crofton!".
48. Cherry blossom festival needs to clean up the spray-painted numbers on the parkway. The road was just repaved, and it has permanent numbers (some of which are out of order and crossed out). Spray chalk would be a better and disappear after a rain.
49. The parades are hard to attend for my family on Saturday mornings because of sport games.
50. No, I think they are well organized
51. The pie bake-off should have another category for children. The best of show should go to someone separately from each category winner so that there are more winners.
52. I'm only interested in law enforcement. I would prefer your efforts be 100% devoted to that end.
53. The 2025 cherry blossom festival was a Massive improvement over years past. PLEASE keep this as a block party type party in the future. The live music and food trucks were a wonderful addition.
54. No
55. We love when Santa drives down every street on a fire truck!
56. We love and appreciate the kid-friendly events so much! The tree lighting is always a highlight for us
57. "Santa around the triangle on the fire truck was great (if you had any part in that).
58. It would be wonderful if CCA could decorate around the parkway for the holidays or even at the main entrance signs at Crawford Boulevard. Even a large wreath on each Crofton brick facade as you enter from Crawford would be wonderful. As a new resident this past year, I thought there was a lot of missed opportunity around decorating for the holidays at the entrance of the triangle. Even if that large tree in the middle of the "square" area across from the country club could be decorated. Or snowflakes on some flag poles around the parkway. Would love to see more holiday spirit!!!!
59. PLEASE MAKE KIDZ FEST AN ANNUAL EVENT!!

60. A weekly or bi-weekly food truck event would be HUGE. The company that executes it at the Odenton fire station could be a good partner. Please please consider this - I've heard MANY people comment how great it would be to walk to a recurring food truck event during the week."
61. "As a parent of two young children, I feel there could be changes made to a bunch of these events. The egg hunt is located in the trees and thorns--not ideal conditions for anyone. I'd recommend relocating it to the open fields--separated by age groups. Kids are just as excited to get the eggs as they are to actually hunt for them in the woods.
62. This year, the Cherry Blossom Festival was done really well. Would love to see it expanded and offer more food trucks.
63. While the Trunk or Treat is nice, there are already many events going on for Halloween, and it seems redundant. Would love to see a 4th of July parade instead, where kids can decorate their bikes and be a part of the parade.
64. For the Holiday tree lighting--why aren't we using the tree in Village Green? It's a perfect tree to have lit and would bring more life to Village Green.
65. KIDZ Fest was fun. My recommendation would be to move everything to the center of Village Green and the driveway in front of it. It needs to be more centralized."
66. Get rid of the pride parade. Sponsor a neighborhood yard sale and community cleanup with dumpsters.
67. No changes. Wish we could have done more this past year, but loved the idea of all of them.
68. I have lived in the Triangle for 37 years and seen traditions come and go. Years ago, the parades were much bigger / longer and better attended. On the other hand, the Cherry Blossom Festival has been gaining traction recently, which has been great to see. Although I have not participated in many events (see checkboxes above), I have really enjoyed seeing a growing number of events in Crofton in recent years. I think this is great. IMO, we could still do better with earlier/more publicity and broader reach and participation in these events. I appreciate that these activities are a small part of the budget, and that can obviously constrain things. I would support a bigger budget and bigger ambition, so that at least a few of these events turn into large traditions that the whole town looks forward to every year. Or maybe the county...
69. New location for the egg hunt would be cool (i.e., not using the woods by the road)
70. We love the Pride parade as well! Love the diversity of this community. The Halloween parade is our favorite event.
71. Loved the involvement of the local school choir at the Flags for Heroes display.
72. Thank you for organizing and hosting these events.
73. I work two jobs & do not have children, so I don't get to participate in most things, but I enjoy seeing the photos of those that do, & I have enjoyed seeing these programs be added over the years. The only thing that frustrates me is that the Memorial Day parade is way too early for the holiday & Festival of the Green is always the same day as the University of Maryland's Maryland Day event in April.
74. The Cherry Blossom festival had no trash cans, not enough food options, so the lines were too long, and it was just overly crowded. A new location may benefit this festival.
75. N/A
76. Keep it up! We love our community
77. I like the Flags for Heroes idea. I just don't like the flags being clustered on Route 3. I'd prefer the flags be placed on the Parkway or at the neighborhood schools.

(Q25) Do you think that the Crotoberfest should be an annual event?

1. There weren't enough seats for the # of tickets sold.

2. There were not enough tables for all at the Crotoberfest.

(Q28) Are there any recreational events or programs that you would like to see us add? If so, please describe:

1. Porch Fest Music Event.
2. While most of these activities are important, most occur on a limited basis and do not encourage citizens to exercise or be active. Suggest using the schools for sporting events, leagues, games, etc., e.g., volleyball, basketball, softball.
3. We loved Taste of Crofton Oct 2024.
4. Do not celebrate every 10 years-50 was nice – 60 a joke
5. These are programs that appeal to small audiences but cost \$
6. Crofton Clean Up Day (trash), Bicycle Safety Program.
7. Bicycle safety classes 2x year.
8. Keep whatever is well attended.
9. No waste of money
10. As long as these events do not increase my taxes, I'm fine with anything, though our focus exclusively on the military in disregard to other public services positions (doctors, teachers, etc.) does not sit well with me.
11. Major \$\$\$ but would be nice to have a rec ctr bldg. where classes could be held, an event space, and perhaps have a couple of indoor pickleball courts. Not everybody wants to belong to a Gold's gym. I realize this is a major capital expense but it's surprising that Crofton is 62 years old and still does not have a community center.
12. How do you find out about these events?
13. Trailer parked unhitched on Urby near the corner of Good Hope has not moved in over 12 months. No license visible. One flat tire. The cover is now rotting. Please remove.
14. Could the town organize a once-a-quarter clean-up of certain parts of the community that have excess litter? I am envisioning having one or two public works folks meet a group of volunteers at a litter-prone area, such as the woods at Good Hope and 450, or the woods at Swan Park, and provide grabber poles and trash bags for a community-led clean-up of those areas.
15. The only thing that comes to mind is a community event that fills a gap in the yearly calendar. What, or WHEN would that be? November or January/February?
16. I think there is no need for stand-alone children's events; I think events should try to be open to all to create a sense of community across generations.
17. Maybe rent the Johns Hopkins home for events. Would love to see some community races as fundraisers
18. Bring food trucks to the parkway on a weekly basis. Allow a coffee trailer in the village green on weekends.
19. As a dispatcher, I would LOVE to see a class educating the community on when we do and do not call 911 vs non-emergency. Could also include what the officers do on traffic stops, premise checks, etc, just for education purposes.
20. Yes, but would recommend using an open source form to collect ideas and change based on feedback from the community.
21. A recreation center is needed badly, classes, maybe a gym, pool, and skate park. This has been talked about for at least the last 15 years

22. Revitalize Town Square!!!!
23. A community bike ride event through Crofton would be fun.
24. My son would like to learn how to fish. Maybe having older neighbors teach younger kids how to fish or other skills
25. No
26. Just maintain the parks.
27. Weekly food trucks on the parkway that were hosted weekly during Covid were very fun and a great way to engage with neighbors. We looked forward to it every week
28. "If events could span more around the parkway than just from Crofton Woods Elementary to Town Hall. It would be great to see other parts of the parkway utilized throughout the year.
29. Community yard sale day could be a lot of fun."
30. One thing we don't have is an annual carnival. This might be staged at Crofton Country Club's Commuter lot, and it would be a big fundraiser for the CCA.
31. A Fourth of July parade would be a nice addition--all kids can decorate their bikes and then hand out popsicles at town hall.
32. The Senior Parade is always a good event. Love to see the high school seniors celebrate.
33. Add dog park. Extend the sidewalks all the way around the parkway on both sides. Make sure all sets of steps have handrails. Add ramps where needed. Remove trees that are lifting sidewalks. Create a more park-like environment at Lake Louise—seating, paths, noise-blocking shrubs/wall along Rt3 to reduce noise.
34. Crofton needs a community center, somewhere that young people can hang out in the evenings & weekends! I thought that was going to happen years ago! A skate park would also be great to have!
35. Just a note on the above answers: I have no opinion because I didn't attend. However, if the events were successful, by all means, rinse and repeat.
36. Didn't attend many events because no small children, but great to have them for the young families in the neighborhood
37. We're really enjoying the Taste of Crofton events at the country club. We would love to see events focused on Crofton's history.
38. I think some more focused-interest activities would be great. For example, I don't golf, but something like a community bike ride type of event would be more of interest to me and help to get people to mix and know their neighbors more/make friends as adults.
39. I don't feel more is needed, but I do think that since I am able to attend the summer concerts... it's better attended when it's on the square/people can see it & it was nice for the kids to have the solo ice cream truck stop by...
40. Strawberry festival, fall farm festival with farm activities, carnival
41. Something targeted to older folks, such as a wine tasting event or casino night at the Crofton Country Club or a local restaurant.

Advocacy Comments

(Q59) Is there a subject or issue that you think we should be proactive about? If so, please describe:

1. I agree heartily with the CSCBD advocating for extending the sidewalk to Bell Branch Park. Very needed and would open up to riding to go there.
2. Green space, pedestrian safety, and bicycle routes/safety parks and playgrounds.
3. Stopping the Parkway as a cut-through for Route 3 traffic by adding speed bumps/cameras.
4. Too late to stop all the development on Route 3. We have become a nightmare area to live in. Sad because it used to be so nice.
5. Encourage development of Village Green; Coffee shop? Deli? Restaurant? Ice Cream? Town Hall? Community Center?
6. Continue removing large parked vehicles, trailers, and boats from the parkway. Also notifying homeowners if their cars are parked on their lawns.
7. I do not think that the CSCBD should be advocating for a sidewalk to Bell Branch Park. There is little foot traffic between the community and the park.
8. Noise levels from blowers. Business vehicles such as "Micheles" are permanently parked advertising, and people who think trash cans are decorative.
9. Growth management, road safety, property (e.g., vehicle) crime.
10. Education-the possible relocation of Nantucket children reminds many of us of the splitting of the community between Arundel and South River, which was ridiculous!
11. Removing the trucks, campers, and boats from Crofton Parkway.
12. County for no RVs, boats, wave runners, or trailers on Crofton streets.
13. 48 HR Parking Limitations. The Beautiful Parkway Looks Like Crap Because Of Permanently Parked Vehicles. This Should Be On Every Street In The CCA.
14. No more rental apartments.
15. Many sidewalks & curbs are in need of replacement.
16. Parking of big commercial and recreational vehicles on Pkwy. It ruins the look of our community. Cherry trees don't compensate.
17. Trying to stop commuters from cutting through Crofton between 3 and 424.
18. Traffic on Route 3
19. Good luck
20. All types of trucks, rec vehicles, and tractor-trailer cab parked on Crofton Parkway
21. I would like to see a crosswalk at Riedel & Davidsonville Rd for residents to cross to get to the library & farmer's market.
22. RVs, boats, tractor-trailer cabs, work trailers, etc., are increasing. This is making Crofton ugly + possibly hazardous at times. Please see if we can work with AA County to prevent this
23. Route 3 traffic
24. No commercial parking of RVs on the parkway

25. Development + increased traffic on Rt 3
26. Speed control
27. enticing more businesses to take up residence in the Village Green
28. The election debates regarding the County election of County Executive and county and state legislative offices should be organized, promoted witnesses invites sent to Crofton's neighbors as the results will be of high impact to Crofton's next decade, especially on development, environmental preservation and conservation issues
29. "- less development along Route 3. The traffic is a deterrent to me going out sometimes :(
30. I don't know if "getting parking signage changed on the Parkway to reduce or move long-term parking of recreational vehicles" includes trailers that are non-hitched, but I have seen several non-hitched trailers around the Triangle and they are hard to spot at night *if* you are not familiar with the neighborhood or you're not paying attention. There is a trailer that is frequently parked on Layton on the right side, right near the right turn intersection with 424. Either that trailer, or a car, has been parked there for years, and I believe it's too close to the right turn onto 424."
31. Please continue to be proactive about improving community infrastructure and limiting further residential development in the area. Traffic, especially along Route 3, has become a major problem during commuting times.
32. A left turn light is very much in need at Davidsonville Road and Underwood. It is hazardous and often impossible to make a left onto Underwood. This is VERY overdue.
33. Ban all trailer and motorhome parking on all our streets. Ticket all out-of-state tags parked in the street.
34. Reducing development, both residential and commercial, particularly along Rt 3.
35. The vehicle traffic on Route 3 (north and southbound) has become atrocious and dangerous over the last 41 years since I moved to Crofton. I remember in the 1990's there was an advocacy group working with the County and State to address the congestion problem. It was bad then, 10 times worse now! One of the ideas was to limit development of commercial enterprises in the median strip and to build a by-pass to funnel through traffic outside of the local Crofton environment. What has happened? Is this unplanned and haphazard growth called progress? Who does it benefit?
36. Please continue advocating on development and Route 3 traffic, which heavily impacts our community.
37. I would like to see better enforcement of bylaws or updates. I grew up in Crofton and, to me, some parts look very "junky". In the past, it was not allowed to park trailers in front of your house for long periods of time. I would like to see that enforced. Additionally, I see some houses with a lot of "junk" or trash in their yard for everyone to see. These are not homes where the owners are now elderly and they cannot maintain yards like they used to. Thanks for taking the time to conduct a survey. When I no longer have to work full-time, I will volunteer on a committee. And thanks to all who volunteer to be on a committee.
38. "Soliciting and commercial Signage and vehicles parked on the parkway."
39. Trailer parked unhitched on Urby near the corner of Good Hope has not moved in over 12 months. No license visible. One flat tire. The cover is now rotting. Please remove.
40. Rt 3 overdevelopment, and the lack of Highway maintenance at our main entry on Crawford Blvd. The condition of Rt 3 at that intersection is atrocious!!!! It always "feels" and looks like crap!
41. Traffic calming, adding more pedestrian crossings to the parkway and 424, with road narrowing and pedestrian islands to increase visibility for pedestrians. Stopping theft and crime, especially with vehicles. Removing trailers and trucks from the parkway or requiring them to move for street cleaning or monthly. Connecting bike/walk trails
42. "1. Runners are not using the sidewalk but Crofton Parkway instead. They run at dawn and dusk (before work and after they get home from work) on the Parkway. I'm waiting for a runner to get injured or worse from this practice.

I could understand if there were no sidewalk, but there are sidewalks on both sides of the road. With lots of parked cars it's an obstacle course for a driver.

2. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE ask the person who owns the trailer housing the two wave runners and the car to move his rig off of Crofton Parkway!! (This has been there forever and is just north of the right turn-off to Rte. 3, on the west side of Crofton Parkway.) If he lives in the townhouses, there is a service road/parking area back in there. Can he park his rig in there?

3. URBY DRIVE: Post a 25 MPH sign in both directions on Urby Drive. Drivers leave the Parkway and speed up, once past the elementary school and the traffic calming bump. They drive with no regard for residents who live on the street; they just want to get out to Defense Highway asap.

43. I would love to see the beautification of Urby Drive! I think we residents should clean and sweep the curbs of litter and fallen leaves from past years. I would love to see Yoshino Cherry trees planted in the median areas where there are no trees growing. (Since Urby is a main artery within the Triangle, connecting Crofton Parkway and Defense Highway, why not plant trees in the bald spots? The same consideration should be given to Duke of Kent, Twain Dr, Layton, and the other arteries which sustain so much traffic. These areas all need posted speed limits, more trees and speed bumps.)"

44. Updating the covenants and restrictions and exploring the potential of creating a community center.

45. I am definitely concerned about Route three development and the challenges involving traffic along Route three. Again, many people just passing through treat it like a raceway. I am also concerned about large groups hanging out in the Waugh Chapel shopping areas.

46. Please keep working to reduce the number of RVs and tractor-trailers on the parkway; it really makes things look trashy if they never move.

47. The increasing sound nuisance from the raceway and relatedly the safety on route 3 and other main routes of car street racing or blocking off the street for drag racing

48. Renovate Swann Park as soon as possible

49. HOA enforcement

50. Addressing or even partnering with the Crofton Country Club to improve the areas that are visible (and dilapidated) when you enter the parkway at that location. Perhaps the utilization of those areas (tennis courts, etc.) could help all parties.

51. Remove long-term parked cars, vans, and trucks from the parkway and side streets. Do not allow boats, jet skis, trailers, or box trucks to be parked long-term on and around Crofton Parkway. Fine (make money) and tow if not moved. It looks terrible. Patrol side streets as well and remove cars that are old and leaking fluids, and that are no longer operable.

52. Route 3 and Reidel Road intersection congestion and traffic accidents.

53. I've been trying to get the light on Crain SB at Davidsonville Rd, turning left onto 424, so that more than 3-4 cars can make it through a cycle for years. Never even received a response.

54. "I think the sidewalk to Bell Branch is a huge feat, requires reclaiming of private property, and leveling it is a very expensive task. I do not feel children should be walking on a sidewalk that far away from their home, even from the closest home within the district.

55. Crofton Parkway is a nice, scenic drive with the trees and cherry blossoms in the spring. However, due to community HOA rules and fewer rules in the tax district, it is a parking lot for trailers / RVs / commercial vehicles. This really ruins the feel of the community."

56. I agree with all of the mentioned agenda items and would, if asked, show up to endorse them. Especially limiting development and housing. I know the narrative is "housing crisis," but what they mean is "affordable housing crisis," which is true, but our area is not set up to be the type of community that can support affordable housing - limited public transportation/no community services, i.e., daily food distribution, heating/cooling centers, community centers, etc. There is no need to shove housing into our zip code when the schools are not able to support more children, and the roadways are already so crowded. This is largely a county planning and zoning issue but the irresponsible development affects everyone.
57. Limit the Twin Rivers 55 and older community to the original contract instead of changing the zoning to single-family homes. The schools and infrastructure need to be established before the area becomes flooded with traffic.
58. Crime
59. Commercial and recreational vehicles parked on the parkway
60. Swann Park on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Regular teenager gathering in the woods after dark. Gatherings including fires, alcohol, and drugs. It would be nice to get random checks in the area. If there are cars parked on Swinburne after hours near the park, then they are teenagers in the park and woods
61. Long-term PARKING in the triangle is a disgrace. It is an eyesore and, more importantly, is becoming a big safety issue with visibility challenges
62. Street sweeping truck services should be stopped! Put the money into new cherry trees.
63. Please continue with the parking regulations around the parkway - it's such an eyesore. As a runner, those jet skis on the trailer will get me killed one day, going around them. Also, parking on the parkway in front of the apartments to Swann Park is an issue - buses, giant semi trucks, trailers, please please help beautify the parkway and keep it safe by making stricter parking regulations
64. While the parking signage has removed some of the long-term vehicles on the parkway closer to town hall--the trucks and jet skis have just moved down the parkway by the Country Club
65. The parking signage did not solve the problem; it just moved it a few blocks. You are advocating for sidewalks to a park, but we don't have full sidewalks along the parkway. What needs to be done is more information on what is being built along Rt3.
66. Parking on all streets, especially recreational vehicles.
67. Continue with the push for the sidewalks to Bell Branch
68. Building a community center
69. You did a nice job putting up some signs to address the long-term parking of recreational and marine vehicles on part of the parkway, but that just shifted the problem down the road. Not sure why we're taking a piecemeal approach to this, but I'm sure it's due to some regulation or somesuch. It's a real problem, especially the trailer that seems to permanently park a few PWCs by the exit to Crofton. It's an accident waiting to happen (and I hear it already has).
70. You cannot let them devastate the trees behind Walleye Dr and Carry Place. I had a friend do a casual appraisal, and without the trees, there would be an unobstructed view of Route 3 and even more traffic noise. He told me that my house would go from 430k to about 380k. Value is one thing, but quality of life would also suffer. The county folks only care about job security, and their project may keep them employed, but it will worsen our lives and our property values.
71. "The redesign of Crofton Park into a skate park is very disappointing. I already submitted commentary but would like to continue to have updates.

72. The intersection of Davidsonville and Duke of Kent has daily red light runs. Either a red light camera or an adjustment of the light timing should be considered.
73. A new crosswalk on Davidsonville at Riedel Rd would be a huge community benefit. It would connect the triangle to the library and provide a safe connection for getting to the farmers' market now that it's at the lot there. You currently have to walk pretty far in either direction (Duke of Kent or the High school which last I tried was not in service) to reach a cross and many people end up just running across Davidsonville with kids in tow."
74. The parking of LARGE commercial trucks, 30-foot straight trucks, tractor trailers, LARGE camping trailers, small camping trailers, UNSIGHTLY moving trucks with visible damage and peeling paint, old passenger cars on trailers, recreational boats, and single operator water vessels, ALL around Crofton Parkway needs to be addressed, AGAIN. The aesthetics of these vehicles and trailers are a bad look for the Crofton community and those vehicles take up valuable overflow parking for community members.
75. Houses/properties that need some upkeep throughout Crofton.
76. Making the triangle a gated community only available and accessible to residents
77. Advocate for a traffic light, or at least a pedestrian walk light at Layton and 424. And a calming bump on Layton.
78. Ask the State DPW to make the collection of roadside lawn signs more frequent. They cheapen the look of the area.