



## New ECAP Discovery Tool

### Introduction

**Input from everyone that works, shops or frequents our community is important and valued. By engaging in the Entrepreneurial Communities Activation Process (ECAP), we will be able to identify ways that our community can move toward positive change and better understand our unique characteristics, community assets and potential opportunities.**

**You can help us very much by taking approximately 20 minutes to share your opinions about our community. We are asking you about entrepreneurial community characteristics. Your answers are completely confidential. The information released from this Discovery Tool will be released only as summaries in which no individual's answers can be identified.**

**You are free to decide not to participate in this study. If there are some questions you are not familiar with or do not wish to answer, you may leave them blank.**

**You may ask any questions concerning this study and have those questions answered before agreeing to participate in the study. You may call the community contact XXX at XXX-XXXX.**

**Your input is important to establishing priorities for our community as we move forward. Thank you for your time!**



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### Community Characteristics

**If there are some questions you aren't familiar with or if you can't answer them, you can leave them blank and move on to the next question.**

1. To what extent do the following items describe your community?

My community...

	Not at all	A little	Moderately	Mostly	Completely
Has a strong identity	<input type="radio"/>				
Is open to new ideas	<input type="radio"/>				
Has leaders who engage and empower citizens	<input type="radio"/>				
Includes a majority of residents who strongly identify with the community	<input type="radio"/>				
Provides and maintains adequate infrastructure for agriculture, business, manufacturing and industry	<input type="radio"/>				
Has leaders who use technology for governing and managing the community	<input type="radio"/>				
Provides educational opportunities for workers to improve personal and job-related skills	<input type="radio"/>				
Has access to capital for entrepreneurs	<input type="radio"/>				
Uses a variety of tools for communication to keep citizens in the loop	<input type="radio"/>				
Has a sense of purpose	<input type="radio"/>				
Has a shared vision for the future	<input type="radio"/>				
Promotes innovation and creativity	<input type="radio"/>				
Has leaders who are motivated to improve the economic and social well-being in the community	<input type="radio"/>				
Includes a majority of residents who feel they belong in the community	<input type="radio"/>				
Has access to high speed Internet services (broadband)	<input type="radio"/>				
Provides opportunities for technology/technical education or training	<input type="radio"/>				
Has mentoring and networking opportunities for entrepreneurs	<input type="radio"/>				
Shares information openly	<input type="radio"/>				

	Not at all	A little	Moderately	Mostly	Completely
Celebrates its heritage, culture	<input type="radio"/>				
Has goals to accomplish the community vision	<input type="radio"/>				
Proactively drives change	<input type="radio"/>				
Has affordable high speed Internet services (broadband)	<input type="radio"/>				
Has legal services for entrepreneurs	<input type="radio"/>				
Creates opportunities for diverse community member involvement in visioning and planning processes	<input type="radio"/>				
Provides entrepreneurship and business education for youth and adults	<input type="radio"/>				
Listens to people's opinions	<input type="radio"/>				
Has accounting services for entrepreneurs	<input type="radio"/>				
Has leaders who work together to solve issues	<input type="radio"/>				
Includes a majority of residents who have strong pride in the community	<input type="radio"/>				
Prepares students for work and careers in a changing world	<input type="radio"/>				
Has marketing services for entrepreneurs	<input type="radio"/>				
Has favorable public policies supportive of entrepreneurship and business development	<input type="radio"/>				

2. What makes your community a great place to live?

3. How does your community encourage economic growth?



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### Demographics

**Your answers are completely confidential.**

4. What is your age?

5. What is your highest level of formal education?

- No high school diploma
- High school diploma (or equivalency)
- Some college, no degree
- Associate (two-year) degree
- Bachelors (four-year) degree
- Graduate or professional degree

6. Please indicate the total number of years you have lived in your community?

7. During the past five years, have you done any of the following in your community?

	Yes	No
Belonged to a community group or organization	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Volunteered your time for a community group or organization	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Held a leadership role in a community group or organization	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Held public office or served on a government board or committee	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

8. Any additional comments you would like to make: