

Northeastern Berks Joint Comprehensive Plan Community Survey

Albany Township, Greenwich Township, Kutztown Borough, Lenhartsville Borough, and Maxatawny Township have teamed up to form the Northeastern Berks Joint Comprehensive Plan. A joint comprehensive plan is a long-term document that guides the community's goals and a vision for its future. It is a roadmap that will provide framework for communities for policy, land use, and infrastructure decisions, balancing development with the natural environment surrounding us.

We NEED YOUR HELP! If you live, work, or play in Albany, Greenwich, Kutztown, Lenhartsville, or Maxatawny, please consider adding your voice below. **Your participation will make the community even stronger!** Thank you!

ABOUT YOU

1. What municipality do you live in? *Circle one of the following:*

ALBANY

GREENWICH

KUTZTOWN

LENHARTSVILLE

MAXATAWNY

OTHER

2. What is your age?

3. How many children are in your household?

4. How long have you lived here? *(in years)*

5. Do you rent or own your home? *Circle one of the following:*

RENT

OWN

OTHER

6. What best describes you? **(circle all that apply)**

FULL-TIME RESIDENT

PART-TIME RESIDENT

PROPERTY OWNER

BUSINESS OWNER

FARMER

STUDENT

VISITOR

QUALITY OF LIFE

7. How would you rate the overall quality of life in the Northeastern Berks Region?

The Northeastern Berks Region is made up of Albany, Greenwich, Kutztown, Lenhartsville, and Maxatawny.

Circle one of the following:

EXCELLENT

VERY GOOD

AVERAGE

FAIR

POOR

8. Please tell us what you think are assets or benefits of living, working, and playing in your community?

(ex) Parks, recreation areas/trails, restaurants, shopping, proximity, quality of life, neighborhood

9. What is your top concern for your community?

What do you see as the greatest threat to the Region?

10. What is your biggest hope for the future of your community?

What do you envision the Northeastern Berks Region to look like by 2040?

11. Do you agree with the following ideas as they pertain to the Northeastern Berks Region?

Understanding that there are limited tax dollars available that must be allocated for a wide variety of services within your community, please rate the following statements.

Circle your answers.

The Region has enough housing to suit the community's needs.

STRONGLY DISAGREE DISAGREE NEUTRAL AGREE STRONGLY AGREE

More farmland preservation is needed in the rural parts of the Region.

STRONGLY DISAGREE DISAGREE NEUTRAL AGREE STRONGLY AGREE

More conservation of open spaces is needed in the rural parts of the Region.

STRONGLY DISAGREE DISAGREE NEUTRAL AGREE STRONGLY AGREE

The Region needs to attract new business development.

STRONGLY DISAGREE DISAGREE NEUTRAL AGREE STRONGLY AGREE

There should be more outdoor recreation activities, such as walking, biking, trails, etc.

STRONGLY DISAGREE DISAGREE NEUTRAL AGREE STRONGLY AGREE

Emergency services (fire, police, ambulance) provided and their response times are adequate.

STRONGLY DISAGREE DISAGREE NEUTRAL AGREE STRONGLY AGREE

Regionalized (sharing) services across neighboring municipalities is an effective way to manage local public resources.

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LAND USE

12. How would you rate the quality, diversity, and availability of housing in the Region?

X all that apply.

	Excellent	Very Good	Average	Fair	Poor
Quality					
Diversity					
Availability					

13. Are there any types of housing that you would like to see more of in your community?

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14. How would you rate the quality, diversity, and availability of commercial businesses in the Northeastern Berks Region?

X all that apply.

	Excellent	Very Good	Average	Fair	Poor
Quality					
Diversity					
Availability					

15. Are there any types of commercial development that you would like to see more of in your community?

16. How do you feel about the amount of the following land uses in the Northeastern Berks Region?

X all that apply.

	Not Enough	Just Right	Too Much
Farmland Preservation			
Natural Area Conservation			
Parks and Recreation			
Single-Family Homes			
Duplex/ Attached Homes			
Apartments/ Multi-Unit Homes			
Mixed-Use (may contain residential)			
Retail			
Personal services (bank, pharmacy, salon)			
Restaurants			
Entertainment			
Office/ Business Park			
Warehousing			
Data Centers			
Industrial Manufacturing			
Self-Storage			
Alternate Energy (solar fields, windmills)			
Parking			

PUBLIC SERVICES

17. How would you rate the quality, diversity, and availability parks/recreational facilities in the Northeastern Berks Region?

X all that apply.

	Excellent	Very Good	Average	Fair	Poor
Quality					
Diversity					
Availability					

18. What made you choose this rating?

What is great about recreation in this Region? What could be improved?

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19. How would you rate the roads/streets in the Northeastern Berks Region?

How is the condition of the Region's roads?

EXCELLENT

VERY GOOD

OKAY

FAIR

POOR

20. Do you have any specific concerns regarding the quality of roads in the Northeastern Berks Region?

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CREATE A MUNICIPAL BUDGET

21. Imagine your municipal budget is \$100. Allocate money to the following services.

Your proposed budget must be equal to or less than \$100 when finished.

BUDGETARY ITEM	DOLLARS
Agricultural Preservation <i>Permanently preserve land for agricultural use</i>	\$
Recreational Facilities <i>Parks, Trails, ball fields, sports courts, benches, pavilions, story walks, etc.</i>	\$
Conservation of Natural/Historic Resources <i>Permanently preserve lands with high historical and/or ecological value</i>	\$
Roads/Streets <i>Improve transportation infrastructure</i>	\$
Police Service <i>Maintain or improve a municipal or regional police force</i>	\$
Fire Service <i>Donate municipal funds to aid in maintaining and expanding local volunteer fire service</i>	\$
EMS/Ambulance Service <i>Donate municipal funds to aid in maintaining and expanding local volunteer ambulance services</i>	\$
Economic Development/Job Creation <i>Improvements, incentives, advertising, etc. to attract new employers</i>	\$
Parking Facilities <i>Facilities like lots, garages, meters, and zones for commercial districts</i>	\$
Any Service Not Listed <i>Provide suggestion here:</i>	\$
TOTAL ALLOCATED	\$

22. What three words best describe your ideal vision for 2040 in the Northeastern Berks Region?

Help shape the best Albany, Greenwich, Lenhartsville, Kutztown, and Maxatawny!

Please input up to three words representing what you think your municipality should look like by the year 2040.

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23. Please add any additional comments/concerns you may have regarding the Northeastern Berks Region.

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***Please return completed survey to Maxatawny Township Building at 127 Quarry Road
Suite 1 Kutztown, PA 19530 by October 29, 2026.***