### Results of the Youth discussion in Crofton, May 15,2023

In your community, what are some of the strengths? What is Crofton doing right?

- Sports (top priority)
- Fire department
- Post office
- Education (top priority)
- Ag (top priority)
- Dedication
- Friendships
- Recreation
- Lake
- Tourist
- Protected
- People
- Camping sites
- Shop on 2<sup>nd</sup>
- Prox. To Yankton
- River
- Police officers
- Sports
- CCD/Church
- Protecting
- Small population
- Girls sports
- Fundraising
- Businesses (top priority)
- Music (top priority)
- Loyalty
- Food at school (top priority)
- Family

What are some amenities you would like added or improved on? (Parks, trails, etc.)

- Roads
- More restaurants (top priority)
- Movie theater
- Swimming pool
- Carwash (top priority)
- New Track (top priority)
- Car dealer
- Stores / shopping
- Community gym
- Daycare (top priority)
- New school / additions (top priority)
- Law enforcement
- Pool (top priority)
- Water, sewer & streets
- Kid's hang outs

- Beautification / grounds
- Coop
- Entertainment
- Shooting range
- YMCA (top priority)
- Youth groups
- Trails
- Rec Center
- Ponds
- Skate park

# What community events would you like to have?

- Street dances (top priority)
- School baseball (top priority)
- School softball
- Rodeo (top priority)
- Bowling / bowling tournament
- Stock car races (top priority)
- Parades
- Bigger homecoming
- Demo derby
- Paintball
- Community theater
- Soccer
- Racing events
- Track meet (8 votes for top priority)
- Fair
- Cornhole
- Boxing
- Hockey / Roller Hockey
- Gymnastics
- Cheerleading
- Dance team
- Ice skating
- Fishing
- Show Choir
- Pickleball
- Sand volleyball
- Judo
- Pool tournaments
- Swim team
- Lacrosse
- Weight lifting
- Rowing team
- Tractor pull
- Archery
- Baseball (school sanctioned)

If you could put \$15,000 toward something at school or in the community, what would that be?

- New Track (top priority)
- Wrestling room
- Turf baseball
- Weight room (top priority)
- Slate
- Pool improvements
- Pool
- Community gym
- Community auditorium
- Infrastructure
- Business grants (start-ups, small businesses, subsidies)
- Skate Park
- Food
- Community bathrooms

If you could add a business or service to your community, what would it be?

- Carwash
- Hotel
- Daycare
- More restaurants (top priority)
- Sit down restaurant (top priority)
- Ice cream shop (top priority)
- Gym (exercise/tanning)
- Dance club
- Flower shop
- Racetrack
- Daycare center
- Boutiques
- Meat locker
- Welding shop
- Skating rink
- Movie theater/Drive In (top priority)
- Dirt bike track (top priority)
- Truck station
- Pharmacy
- Target (top priority)
- McDonald's
- Frying Pan
- Raising Canes (top priority)
- Runza
- Hotel
- Dairy Queen
- Mall
- Boba (top priority)
- Freddie's
- Starbucks
- Spa / Nails

- AG Science program
- Escape room

What makes you feel more connected to your community?

- School
- Sports (top priority)
- Family
- Church
- Kid-focused celebrations
- Street dances (top priority)
- Parades
- Block party (top priority)
- Requests to help with more organizations
- Community theater
- South Park memorial
- School community service day
- Church/CCD
- Car Show
- Volunteering at Main Street
- Baseball 4<sup>th</sup> of July
- Volunteer concessions
- Dam race
- Pool (top priority)
- Food
- Businesses
- School improvement (top priority)
- Wrestling room (6 votes for top priority)
- Activities to do
- Basketball court (8 votes for top priority)
- Restock the library
- New track (7 votes for top priority)
- 4-H
- Band / choir
- Family
- Being on a team
- FCCLA
- Serving at church
- Scouts
- Friends
- Teachers

I can make this a better place by...

- picking up trash
- community service (top priority)
- helping youth
- helping when needed
- volunteering when asked
- supporting local businesses (top priority)

- cleaning up the church yards, town, and parks (top priority)
- mowing
- helping with younger kid's activities
- mentoring
- Fundraisers (top priority)
- Being kind
- Take food to people
- Help elderly
- Babysitting
- Newspaper
- Tutoring
- Welcoming new people to town

### What makes progress difficult in this community?

- Lack of money (top priority)
- Low population/size of the community
- Lack of communication
- Bad infrastructure
- Disagreement
- High taxes
- No one wants to do the work
- Time
- Lack of leadership
- unwillingness to change or listen to new ideas
- Sidewalks (top priority)
- Competition with other communities
- Rural living
- Change is hard
- Age

## When you think about the future of your community, what concerns you?

- The youth
- No police
- Work ethic
- Schooling lack of teachers and facilities
- Lack of affordable housing
- Feel like no change will occur
- Things take forever
- Sports declining
- Infrastructure (top priority)
- Lack of jobs
- Population
- Sewage and water
- Lack of businesses
- People fight change
- Other towns are growing while we stay the same
- Farmland bought by outside buyers
- Sporting programs (top priority)

- Food
- Education
- Town cleanliness
- Money
- The town is closed off to ideas
- People are leaving
- Safety (top priority)
- Social media
- Living in the past, not moving forward

#### What would make you more likely to live here as an adult?

- More jobs (top priority)
- More houses
- Higher pay
- More amenities
- New/Better school
- Better pool
- Sports facilities
- More opportunities for kids
- Family
- Better roads (top priority)

#### What does your dream community look like?

- Small town (top priority)
- Involved people
- Great roads (top priority)
- Good city workers
- Recreational opportunities
- Raising Canes
- Crumbl Cookie
- Walmart
- Texas Roadhouse
- Mall
- Better Community Center (top priority)
- High paying jobs
- New school
- Dentist
- More housing
- Great leadership
- Indoor batting cage (top priority)
- Pro teams
- Great law enforcement
- School baseball team (6 votes for top priority)
- Mass transit UBER
- More gas stations
- Growth
- Functional
- Cleaner neighborhoods

- Bigger grocery store
- Businesses
- Better sports complexes (top priority)
  Better track (top priority)
  Library

- Bigger school (top priority)
- Walking/Biking trail
  Fair grounds/Rodeos (top priority)
  Family events
- Family events
- Nice
- Safe
- Clean
- Feeling of community
- Flowers
- Opportunities
- Rec Center