

Is the city of Delaware moving in the right direction?



REGISTERED VS NON-REGISTERED

	Y	N
Registered Voters (110)	76.4% (84)	23.6% (26)
Non-Registered Voters (63)	71.4% (45)	28.6% (18)

ALL RESPONDENTS

	Y	N
All respondents (173)	74.6% (129)	25.4% (44)
Registered Voters in The City of Delaware, OH (110)	76.4% (84)	23.6% (26)
Live in The City of Delaware, OH (163) - Self-reported	74.8% (122)	25.2% (41)
Subscribers to The City of Delaware, OH (165)	74.5% (123)	25.5% (42)
Register respondents from anywhere (115)	76.5% (88)	23.5% (27)

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Y Yes **N** No

PRECINCT	115 REGISTERED VOTERS	
	Y	N
COLUMBUS 60-C (1)	100.0% (1)	-
DELAWARE CITY 1-A (6)	66.7% (4)	33.3% (2)
DELAWARE CITY 1-B (10)	90.0% (9)	10.0% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 1-C (3)	66.7% (2)	33.3% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 1-D (3)	66.7% (2)	33.3% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 1-E (2)	50.0% (1)	50.0% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 1-F (6)	100.0% (6)	-
DELAWARE CITY 1-G (5)	100.0% (5)	-
DELAWARE CITY 2-A (5)	80.0% (4)	20.0% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 2-B (4)	50.0% (2)	50.0% (2)
DELAWARE CITY 2-C (4)	75.0% (3)	25.0% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 2-D (6)	83.3% (5)	16.7% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 2-F (7)	85.7% (6)	14.3% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 2-G (3)	33.3% (1)	66.7% (2)
DELAWARE CITY 3-A (3)	66.7% (2)	33.3% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 3-B (1)	100.0% (1)	-
DELAWARE CITY 3-D (1)	100.0% (1)	-
DELAWARE CITY 3-E (8)	37.5% (3)	62.5% (5)
DELAWARE CITY 3-F (2)	100.0% (2)	-
DELAWARE CITY 3-G (1)	100.0% (1)	-
DELAWARE CITY 4-A (5)	40.0% (2)	60.0% (3)
DELAWARE CITY 4-B (8)	100.0% (8)	-
DELAWARE CITY 4-C (6)	83.3% (5)	16.7% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 4-D (3)	66.7% (2)	33.3% (1)
DELAWARE CITY 4-E (1)	100.0% (1)	-
DELAWARE CITY 4-F (5)	100.0% (5)	-
DELAWARE CITY 4-G (1)	100.0% (1)	-
RADNOR (1)	100.0% (1)	-
SCIOTO A (1)	100.0% (1)	-
SPRINGFIELD TOWN WARD 3 (1)	100.0% (1)	-
DELAWARE B (1)	-	100.0% (1)
ORANGE Q (1)	-	100.0% (1)

VOTERS GENDER	115 REGISTERED VOTERS	
	Y	N
F (59)	76.3% (45)	23.7% (14)
M (54)	77.8% (42)	22.2% (12)
Unknown (2)	50.0% (1)	50.0% (1)

AGE RANGE	115 REGISTERED VOTERS	
	Y	N
18-29 (10)	80.0% (8)	20.0% (2)
30-39 (34)	82.4% (28)	17.6% (6)
40-49 (17)	70.6% (12)	29.4% (5)
50-59 (28)	67.9% (19)	32.1% (9)
60-69 (15)	80.0% (12)	20.0% (3)
70-79 (8)	75.0% (6)	25.0% (2)
80-89 (2)	100.0% (2)	-
unknown (1)	100.0% (1)	-

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Yes No

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-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded Yes
 It is. But we could still use some stores that we currently still have to drive to Polaris for; Home depot, Target, a Sprint store that they can actually do things at.....
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded Yes
 Yes, but there is a long way to go. Clinging to the idea that Delaware is a "small town" is becoming detrimental -- Delaware is a city of over 40,000. It gets frustrating and tiresome to have to drive to Columbus due to the lack of "regular" stores. Downtown has improved greatly, and there are lots of nice options for a night on the town, but a tremendous lack of stores for people that live here (e.g. hardware stores, clothing stores, more/better grocery stores, Target).
-  **Margaret VanGundy's Opinion** Responded Yes
 I like that the city is trying to preserve the old historical areas. The downtown area needs more diverse stores for shopping and to attract Visitor. First Friday, farm markets and art events are great.
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 Getting too populated. Losing it's small town charm
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 Delaware needs more diversity. There are mostly white conservatives living here. It would be nice for Delaware to have more of a Clintonville (Columbus) charm with old, well-kept homes on tree lined streets. There are too many cookie-cutter housing communitites popping up.
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 I am all for change and improvement, but not for the mere sake of it. There have been so many great local businesses closed down because rent was no longer affordable, to the point where downtown feels like mostly food places with barely anywhere to shop. I wish there was a better balance again. I think Delaware need to remember it has that small town charm that makes people love it. It does not need to try to be bigger than it is to be loved, just get the right balance.
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 Affordable housing is greatly needed.
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 The small town charm is being eroded by a lack of control of growth. The City can say no to growth but they won't for fear of lawsuits. Other cities stop unwanted or unwarranted growth with no issues, I wish the City of Delaware would get their act together and stop all of the crappy overpriced subdivisions and needless destruction of Delaware's historical buildings.
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 I love it here however I do feel there needs to be more affordable housing for families instead of 2 bedroom upscale apartments - too many apartments that just do not cater to families , no one can afford them either . I'm not a fan of a ton of chain businesses and plazas coming here because we have spots that still need filled in some of our old plazas (ie: the Walmart plaza and the plaza where Goodwill is) and it would increase traffic and possibly crime, I am fine with having a small community and having to travel just a bit out of my way to go to a big box store or restaurant. I want Delaware to continue keeping our small town feel, our history and once in awhile say no to developers who have no interest in preserving our rich historical community. Keep it local!
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 The income tax, infrastructure, and business diversity is terrible
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded Yes
 Yes, but there is still a long way to go...
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 Would be nice if we didn't try to develop every single square inch of farmland.
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 I love the police community however police seem to believe their above the Law and can dictate the law at their discretion (Not all do this). The Roads need to be fixed only the (in poor condition roads) the good things we have lately are we have many shops and restaurants lookin at Delaware as a possible site for stay. Bad thing is this will bring more people and if the police aren't treating people like they are on the same level (Like Humans) this will bring a bad rep to Delaware and it's residents
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 I'm sorry...but as a teacher for 41 years I am appalled by the question. It wouldn't pass muster in my classroom. It is not specific. Are we moving in the right direction regarding.....? Infrastructure? downtown business? Housing? Jobs? police? schools? How can anyone answer this question in a way that informs officials. If I say YES , what does that tell you? If I say NO what does that tell you? Basically nothing!
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 Focus on improvements of existing infrastructure, such as our primary roadways that are in poor condition, is greatly needed. In this respect, the City does not appear to have a good direction. Growth in this area is expected and is largely being done well, however this is just additional infrastructure that as time wears on will also require maintenance. Retention of our small town environment and feel is important.
-  **Anonymous user's Opinion** Responded No
 Delaware used to be a nice, quiet self sufficient family college town where it was fun to live. Now due to unchecked growth the city has become just another bedroom community of Columbus. It has no identity other than the suburb north of I-270. Very sad.

Anonymous user's Opinion

Responded No

Delaware (city and county) is, disturbingly, a bastion of Trumpism. How the city and county leaders, and the majority of residents, continue to support a lying, cheating and racist leader is beyond me. Delaware seems to revel in staying lily white as if leaders are afraid of attracting diversity for fear of losing power and becoming sullied by integration and mixing of ethnic and cultural diversity. Sure, we will eat at a Mexican, Chinese or other ethnic place but do we really take the time to get to know their cultures and really welcome them into "our little white perfect world?" No...we have seemingly built our own invisible wall just like the blowhard in the oval office wants to physically build one on the Mexican border. And now, we want to erect a statue honoring the guy who pulled enforcement of law in the South allowing racism, lynching and Jim Crow to flourish for nearly 100 years. Just because he was born here and magically through shenanigans became President is not reason enough to put up a statue. R.B. Hayes never really "lived" here. It is an embarrassment we have a high school named after him let alone further sully our downtown with a statue of the guy.

Anonymous user's Opinion

Responded Yes

I am always amazed at the fact that when a community reaches out to the public for input, they get bashed with rudeness. There are polite ways to disagree and offer solutions. Don't be a part of what's wrong with society today. Kudos to the city for reaching out. I am hopeful that officials will truly use this input to improve our city. I have lived here with my wife and two young kids for almost 10 years and appreciate the parks, shops, and community events. However, I am extremely hopeful that Delaware works to bring in more options for restaurants (perhaps on the east or south sides, as Sandusky is getting a bit too crowded with the current offerings) and a few more larger stores (driving 15 miles to the nearest Lowes and Target in a city this size is less than desirable). Most importantly, our city has to address the parking issues downtown, especially for larger events. Suggesting that our older adults or families with small children park at the high school or one of the parks to walk to the event does not encourage a stronger community. Considering partnerships with local businesses that prohibit parking in their lots (even after they are closed) is one option to improve this issue. If there are any partnerships in place now, signage needs to explicitly state this. Also, while it has been said that a parking garage would be too costly, the city really needs to consider additional parking lots or a small garage somewhere close to downtown. Your online map for parking options is a great idea but not reasonable to think certain spots (some very far away) can be used for downtown parking. I have no problem walking a few blocks, but our family has had to turn around and go back home a few times because no spots could be found within a fair walking distance. Several suburbs of Columbus have managed to do this in a tasteful and efficient way. Thanks again to our officials for reaching out! I would love to see our city take more action to improve our fortunate experience of living in Delaware.

Anonymous user's Opinion

Responded No

The desire to compete with larger communities has the feel of running over long time residents and solid tax payers who are the backbone of what makes Delaware great. If you object, you're a nuisance. This town has great potential but insulting well meaning citizens will destroy more than it builds. Income and a larger footprint isn't everything. Our down town buildings need to be affordable and what makes us special needs to be protected.